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Chapter 5

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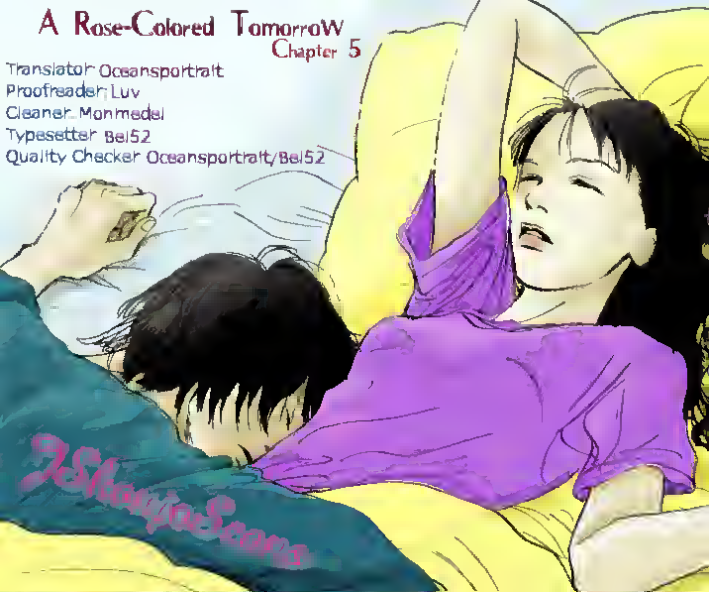

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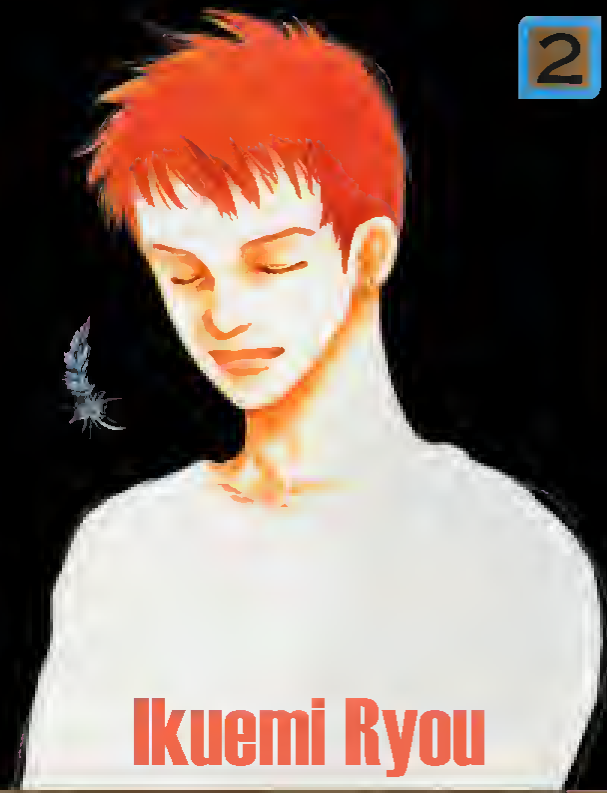

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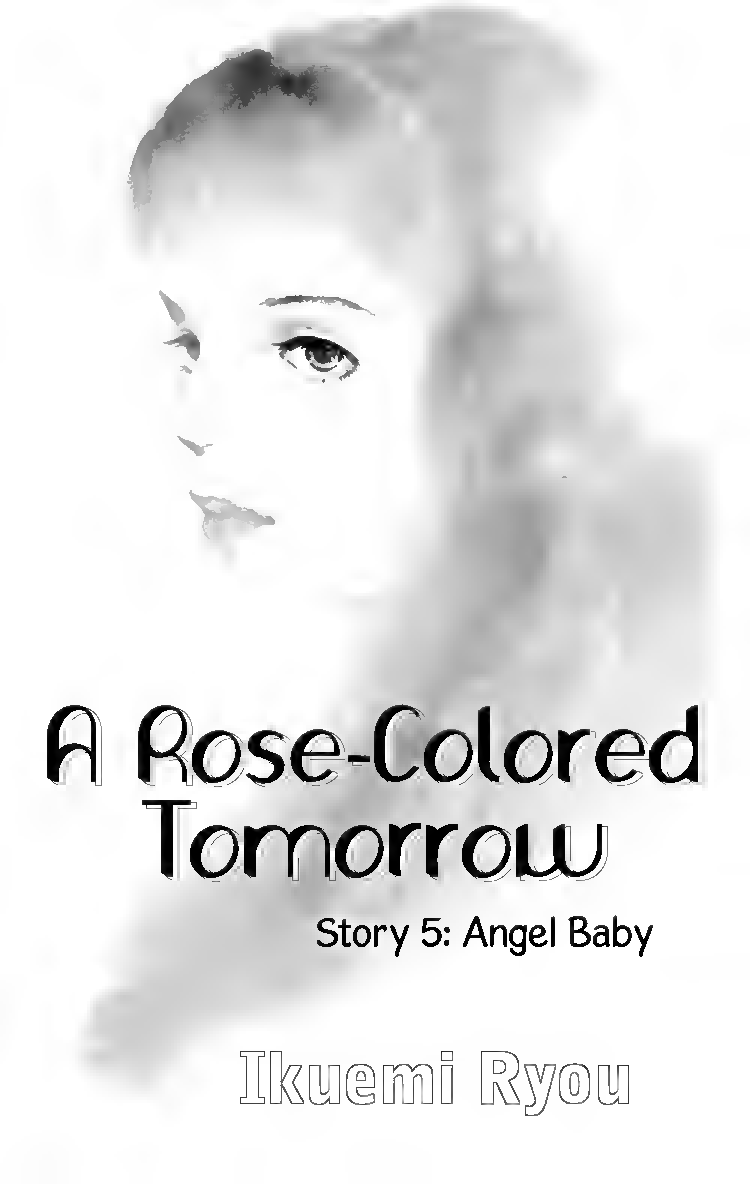
Story 5 Angel Baby

The name's Kabu-chan. If you're wondering where that came from, my full name's Kaburagi Tsuyoshi, so it's the "Kabu" from "Kaburagi".
My friend's name is Crank—Weird, I know, but his parents run a pharmacy, so they call him that.
—Well, not like that's super important or anything.
In the spring of my sixteenth year,
I saw an angel for the first time.



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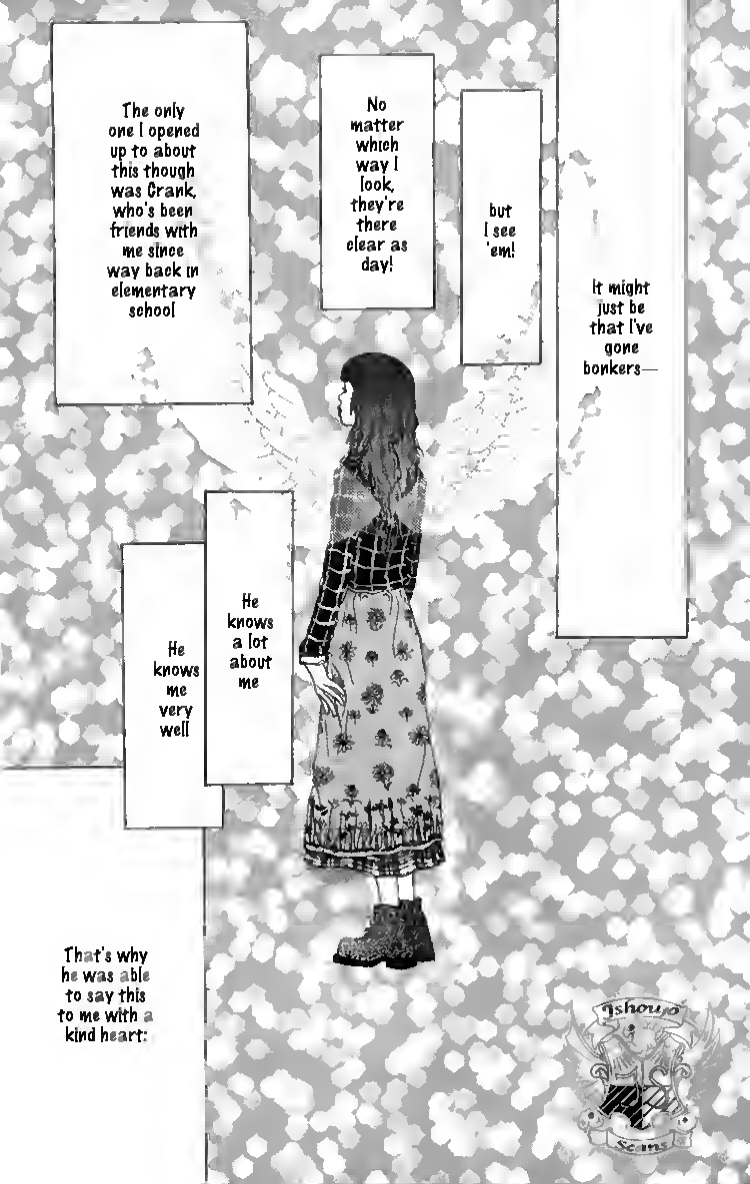
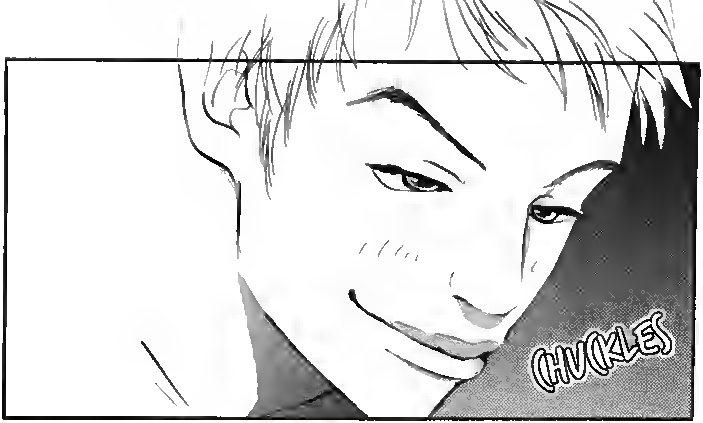

It might just be that I've gone bonkers—
but I see 'em!
No matter which way I look, they're there clear as day!
The only one I opened up to about this though was Crank, who's been friends with me since way back in elementary school
He knows a lot about me
He knows me very well
That's why he was able to say this to me with a kind heart:

GR
ABS
LISTEN UP, KABU
YOU BETTER NOT GO 'ROUT SPOUTING STUFF LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF OTHERS, YOU HEAR?
WITH THAT GET-UP
AND THAT KIND OF TALK,
He has orange hair.
THEY'RE GONNA THINK YOU'RE A FRIGGIN' PSYCHO
.....
Inside I thought, I don't want to be told that by someone like you.
He has his tongue pierced too.
.....
but I guess I'll just take his advice this time around



The swarm of girls who're getting ready to start PE

KAMIOKA-SAN LIKE, I DON'T KNOW, STICKS OUT LIKE A SORE THUMB FROM OUR CLASS?
DON'T YOU THINK THAT
SHE'S PRETTY AND ALL,
BUT DON'T YOU GET THE SENSE THAT SHE THINKS WE'RE BELOW HER OR SOMETHING?
ahaha
SHE HAS THAT "MYSTERIOUS PRETTY GIRL" AURA TO HER, YOU KNOW?
swish swish
OH YEAH, AND DOESN'T SHE HAVE A BROTHER COMPLEX?
RIGHT! THAT TWIN BROTHER OF HERS!
He's so cute!
I THOUGHT HE WAS HER YOUNGER BRO-THER?
Who cares?
I HEARD OTHER GUYS CAN'T EVEN STEP WITHIN TWENTY FEET OF HER BECAUSE OF HIM!
YEAH, AND THEY'RE LIKE, SUPER CLOSE
They look alike though!
They totally do!
Kyotaro!
YEP, ICHI-KUN!
OH, SO HE'S SMART?
FROM DIVISION 3
HE'S THE GUY WHO WAS THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE FRESHMEN, RIGHT?

KAMIOKA NANA-SAN FROM GRADE 10, DIVISION 6!
NICE TO MEET YOU!
I'M KABURAGI TSUYOSHI FROM GRADE 10, DIVISION 7, BUT YOU CAN JUST CALL ME KABU-CHAN!
IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT FOR ME EVER SINCE I SAW YOU AT THE ENTRANCE CEREMONY, SO LET'S BE FRIENDS!

NANA, YOU KNOW--
WHY IS IT THAT YOU ALWAYS GET STUPID GUYS LIKE THAT FALLING FOR YOU?
WHO KNOWS? IT'S NOT MY FAULT.
WAIT, ICHI I SPRAINED MY LEG TODAY DURING PE
DOES IT HURT?
HUH?
HELLO ?
UM
Let's be friends..?
Could he be anymore pathetic ..?
SNIFF
WHAT THE HELL?
HMM NOT THAT MUCH

Went to Naka-Junior High
YEAH YOU'RE BETTER OFF JUST THROWING IN YOUR TOWEL WHILE YOU'RE STILL AHEAD
THE "KAMIOKA TWINS FROM NAKA-JUNIOR HIGH" ARE LIKE, PRETTY FAMOUS!
WHAT ?! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU DIDN'T KNOW!
KAMIOKA TWINS
"Throwing in my towel" ?
FROM NAKA-JUNIOR HIGH ?
THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
Yayy!
THIS STUFF IS GREAT!
THANKS GRANNY'LL BE PLEASED
"Granny?"
Yayy!
And this is pickled Ginger!
WELL I'M "KABU FROM DISTRICT 2 JUNIOR HIGH"

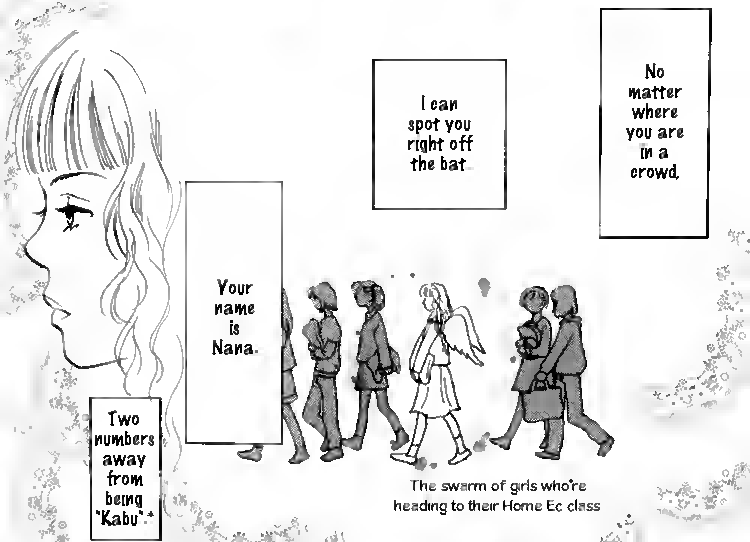
KABU-SAN,
WHILE YOU'RE DOING THAT AIRHEAD PERFOR-MANCE OF YOURS,
THE PRINCESS IS PASSING BY.
What?
ZOOMS IN
SHUFFLES AWAY
WHOAAA!
YOU ROCK MY WORLD, NANA-CHAN!
THAT'S AMAZING! SHE'S SO FAST!
ZZZIUUUUUUZZZ!
TENSE

SLAM
Kaburagi Tsuyoshi
HEY, UDOU-KUN! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR LEG?
SEE YA~
Bye Kabu-chaaan
I GUESS THE WOMB BOND IS PRETTY STRONG, HUH?
HUH?
Err...it's probably more likely that she's just not interested
I GUESS IT'S TIME TO GET CRACKIN' ON A LINE OF ATTACK!
MY LEG'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THIS
OH, NO WAY! SERIOUSLY? I'M SO SORRY!
HUH?
glares
Re-tard!
See ya
He's trying to cover it up with sunglasses.
He's trying to cover it up–
He's trying to cover it up by wearing sun-glasses.
Ah
And not only that but he's singing
He's trying to cover it up
whistle
hahaa
He's crying –
He's crying –
HE'S CRYING ?
He's crying –

I live a rose-colored life
Why, you ask?
It's because I was able to meet you
Ishoujo Scans

If possible,
I'd
like for us to understand each other.
I'M BACKKK...
MASTER DUMMY.
WHICH WOULD YOU PREFER BEEF STEW OR BEEF CURRY?
PORK SOUP
.....

THAT'S WEIRD FOR A STEW, THIS DOESN'T SMELL
IT'S PORK SOUP
sniff sniff
NOW, NOW, OLD HAG DON'T GO AROUND SAYING SUCH A BLATANT LIE
SLAM
rustle rustle rustle
SLAM
DASHES
I SAID BEEF, MASTER DUMMY
LIKE I SAID, PORK SOUP
thud thud thud
NO. YOU'RE MASTER DUMMY.
bu bble
bu bble
never thought you'd actually get in...
DID YOU JUST CALL ME "OLD HAG"?
DID YOU?
YOU SAID YOU'D STOP IF I GOT INTO MIYA-HIGH!
THEN STOP CALLING ME "MASTER DUMMY"!
hey..
hey..
thud thud
swish swish swish
bu bble
bu bble
bu bble

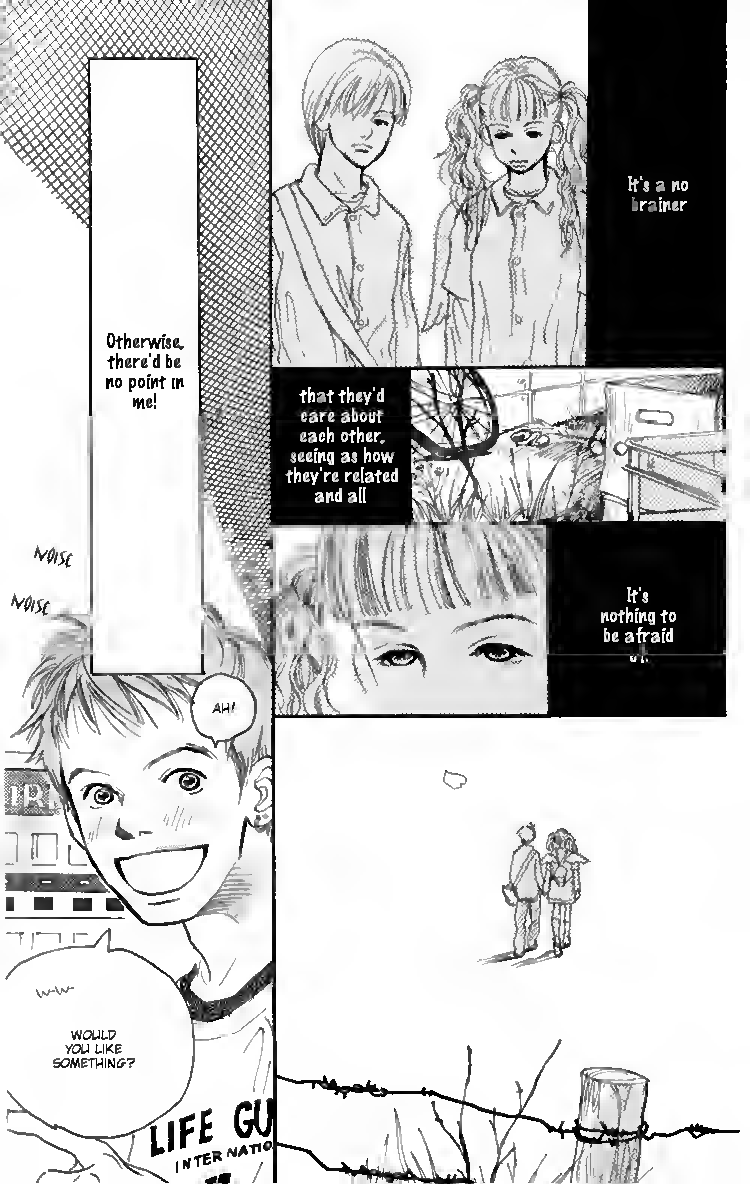

No matter where you are in a crowd,
I can spot you right off the bat.
Your name is Nana.
Two numbers away from being "Kabu".*
The swarm of girls who're heading to their Home Ec class

*He is referring to a card game called "Ocho Kabu" in which the object of the game is to end up with the card closest to the number 9.

rustle
chirp
chirp
chirp
LIFE GUARD
INTERNATIONAL
GOOD MORNING,
NANA!

HERE. THIS IS FOR YOU!
rustle
DASHES AWAY

ICHI...
YEAH...?
DO I
LOOK LIKE A THIEF RIGHT NOW?
YEAH, YOU DO
YOU TOTALLY DO
.....
W-
WHY DON'T YOU THROW IT AWAY SOMEWHERE ...?


It's a no brainer
that they'd care about each other, seeing as how they're related and all
It's nothing to be afraid of!
Otherwise, there'd be no point in me!
NOISE
NOISE
AH!
WOULD YOU LIKE SOMETHING?

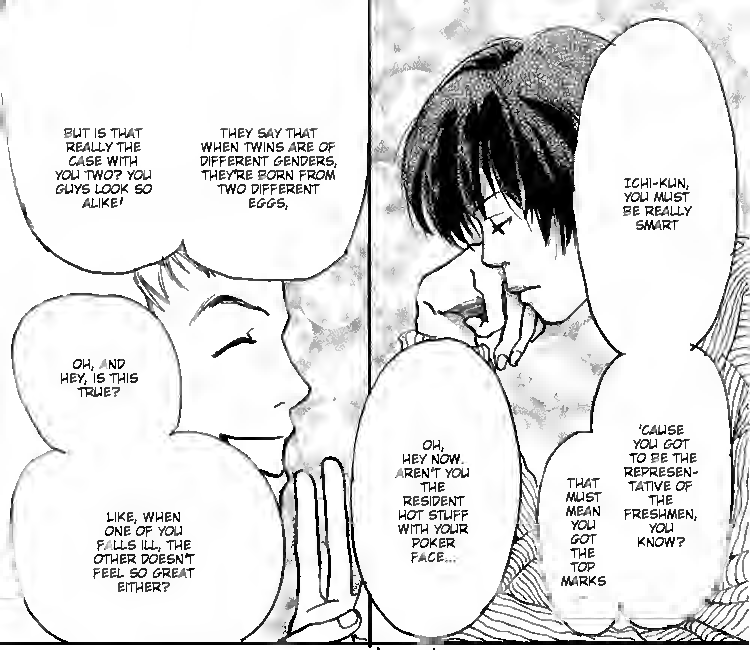
HERE!
THANKS
—HEY, THERE—
dunk
YEAH, WHITE MILK
BEEP
dunk dunk
IS PERFECT FOR YA NANA-CHAN
clatter
I wouldn't know, but you know~
WHICH ONE? WHICH ONE DO YOU WANT?
.....
Retard! Get the curry
DON'T BE SHY! JUST TELL ME WHICH ONE YOU WANT!
THE PLAIN ONE, OKAY?
THE PLAIN MILK
WHAT DO YOU MEAN THERE'S NO REASON ~
SINCE I
THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO BUY ME ANYTHING
IF I GET MONEY FROM YOU THEN THERE'S NO POINT IN WHAT I DID!
JUST TAKE IT
We can see you!
WHITE PANTIES!
THREW AWAY THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS

SNICKERS
DASHES
...
WHAT?
GO TO...
FUCKING HELL.
swish
My
Whaddya just say?!
C'm back here!
Nana

and this.
and that
is like this
NEXT WEEKEND~
NANA-CHAN, HOW 'BOUT WE HANG OUT TOGETHER— JUST THE TWO OF US
OKAY NOW WHY DON'T YOU TRY THAT AGAIN, BUT WITH HER?
NEGATIVE
splash splash
And you know not like to another lives!

FLUSH
UGHHH-- I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE FUCK'S GOTTEN INTO ME LATELY...
YOU SHOULDN'T TRY TO THINK TOO MUCH INTO IT... JUST DO IT!
"JUST DO IT", HUH?
SLAM
ERR I KINDA GOT 'EM MIXED UP
Since they look alike you know!
WHAT KINDA REACTION'S THAT?!
T-TALK
ABOUT SCARY!
.....
taken aback
.....
ahaha
KABU,
DON'T FORGET
"TO TAKE DOWN THE GENERAL, YOU MUST FIRST TAKE DOWN HIS HORSE"*

*It's a Japanese saying that means to achieve a larger goal, you must first overcome all the obstacles that fall in its way


ICHI-KUN, YOU MUST BE REALLY SMART
'CAUSE YOU GOT TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FRESHMEN, YOU KNOW?
THAT MUST MEAN YOU GOT THE TOP MARKS
OH, HEY NOW. AREN'T YOU THE RESIDENT HOT STUFF WITH YOUR POKER FACE...
THEY SAY THAT WHEN TWINS ARE OF DIFFERENT GENDERS, THEY'RE BORN FROM TWO DIFFERENT EGGS.
BUT IS THAT REALLY THE CASE WITH YOU TWO? YOU GUYS LOOK SO ALIKE!
OH, AND HEY, IS THIS TRUE?
LIKE, WHEN ONE OF YOU FALLS ILL, THE OTHER DOESN'T FEEL SO GREAT EITHER?

Ahh!
DO YOU GUYS HAVE LIKE, TELEPATHIC POWERS?
BACK IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, I WAS REALLY INTO THE PARANORMAL ABILITIES AND SHIT, YOU KNOW? SO I EVEN MADE A CARD FOR MYSELF!
I GOT BORED OF IT SOON ENOUGH THOUGH.
HAHAHA
HAS ANYONE EVER TOLD YOU YOUR NAMES ARE KINDA LIKE NUMBERS? YOU KNOW "ICHI" AND "NANA"? THAT'S SOOO CUTE!
HUH?! WAIT A SECOND!!

aha ha ha
THAT'S AWESOME—BUT THAT STILL AIN'T NO MATCH FOR "KABU"
I crack myself up!
IF WE PUT BOTH OF YOU GUYS TOGETHER,
YOU MAKE AN "EIGHT"!
8
Poof
MIND IF I GO OVER TO YOUR HOUSE ONE OF THESE DAYS?
WHAT'S UP?
.....
.....
HURTS

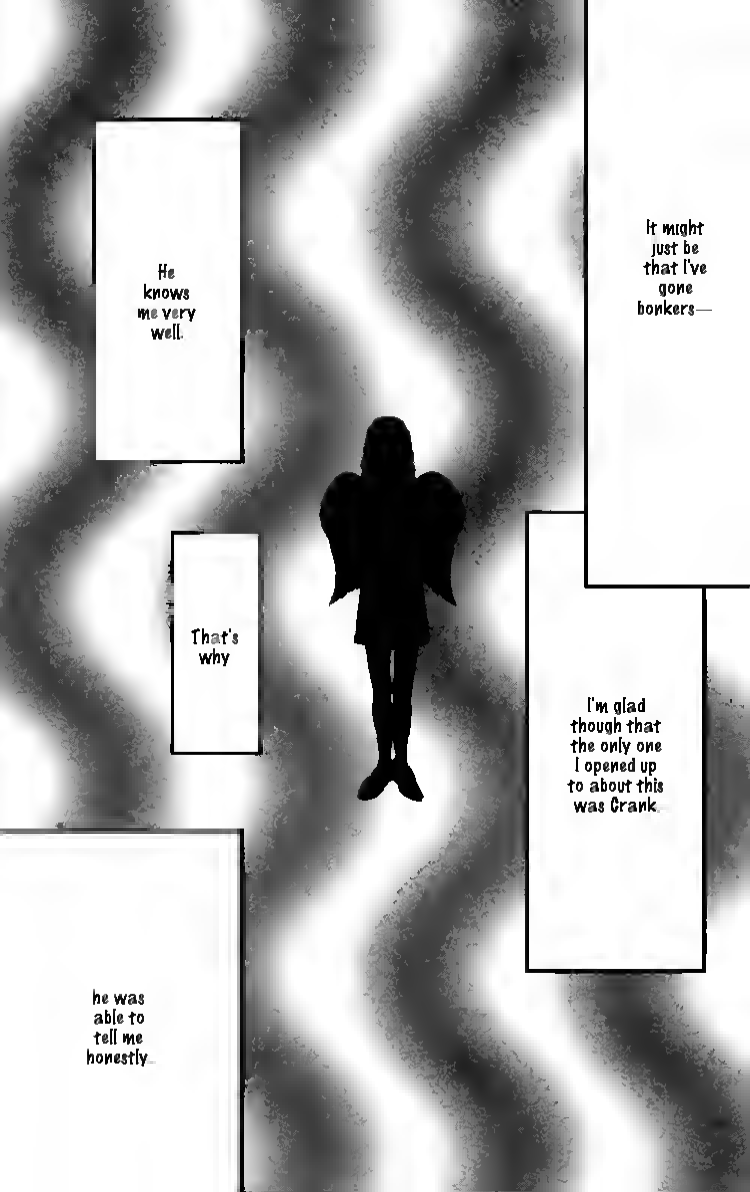
clatter
SOME-THING'S HAPPENED TO NA
NA...
.....
IT HURT ...
...I THINK...

1—6
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE

GOOD AS NEW
.....
ICHI
.....
MUST'VE JUST PLAYED A TRICK ON YOU
.....
DAMNIT
LET'S GO ON A DATE
Easy as pie
NO.
BLUNTLY
IN JANUARY
sigh
WHEN'S YOUR BIRTHDAY?
WE'RE NOT.
MINE'S APRIL SO I'M SIXTEEN ALREADY, SO YA GUYS BETTER NOT TREAT ME LIKE A FOOL!
THAT LITTLE BUGGER!
?
"Bugger"?

FALLING IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE OVER THE SHAPE OF HER FACE...
IT SOUNDS SO FAKE.
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT ME
I HAVE NO INTEREST IN GOING ON A DATE WITH YOU.
I CAN'T BE BOTHERED TO...
You SO are! You SO are.
WHY NOT—?!
thud thud thud thud
I DON'T BELIEVE IN STUFF LIKE "LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT".
AND BESIDES
WELL...
.....
.....
The one who doesn't know anything
YOU
is you.
HAVE WINGS.

WINGS?
WHAT PART OF ME HAS WINGS?


He knows me very well.
That's why
he was able to tell me honestly
It might just be that I've gone bonkers—
I'm glad though that the only one I opened up to about this was Crank.

The Story of Going on Vacation to Osaka

On a certain day of a certain month, Mori naga Chiyo (resident of Iwamizawa) and I (resident of Sapporo) set off to visit Nakahara Aya-chan who lives in Osaka. What assaulted us from the get go though was luggage hell...

Even before we got to the airport we were exhausted. Why was the luggage so heavy? I could understand why Chiyo's was so heavy because there were manuscripts in hers, but why mine too?
At any rate, when we got to the airport we were utterly pooped like we had just come back from a trip. However the moment we checked in our luggage and we were free...

We walked around inside Chitose airport, and we spotted a sign for a "Free Message." When we rushed up to the machine in glee, the middle-aged man who worked there shot us a dirty look.
We got a bit pissed thinking "If you don't want us to use it don't put 'free' there!"
Despite all that we spent our time having fun at this computer that could make composite pictures.

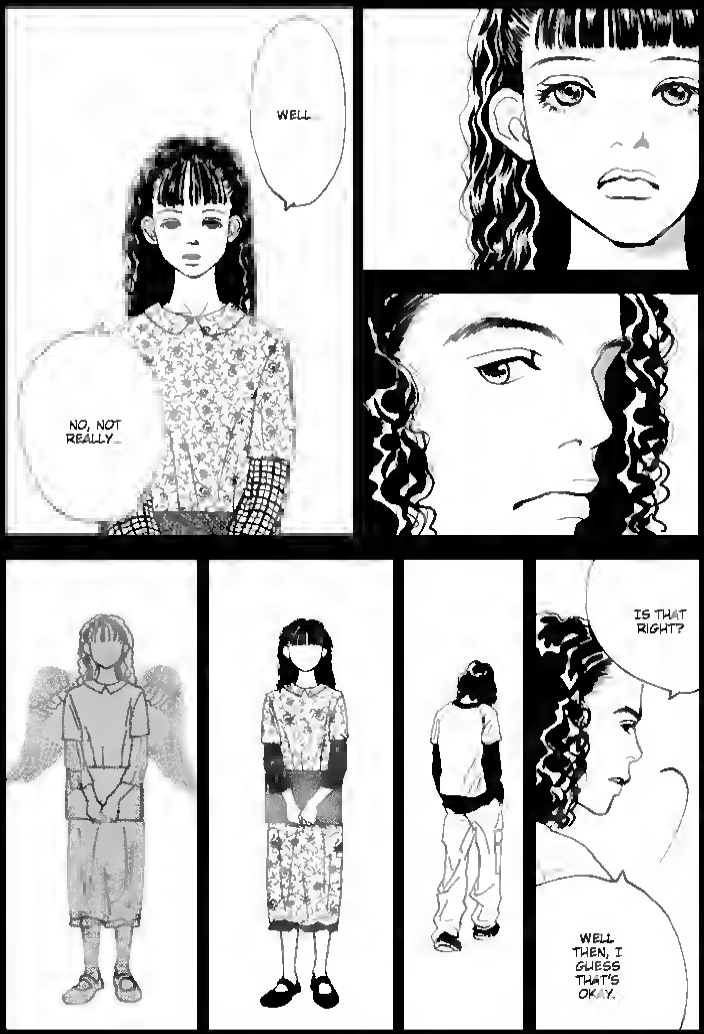
A composite photo of Chiyo and a puppy
I'm ugly, woof!
It was kind of creepy
As for me I made a photo of a baby with some guy I'd never seen before
It was pretty ugly

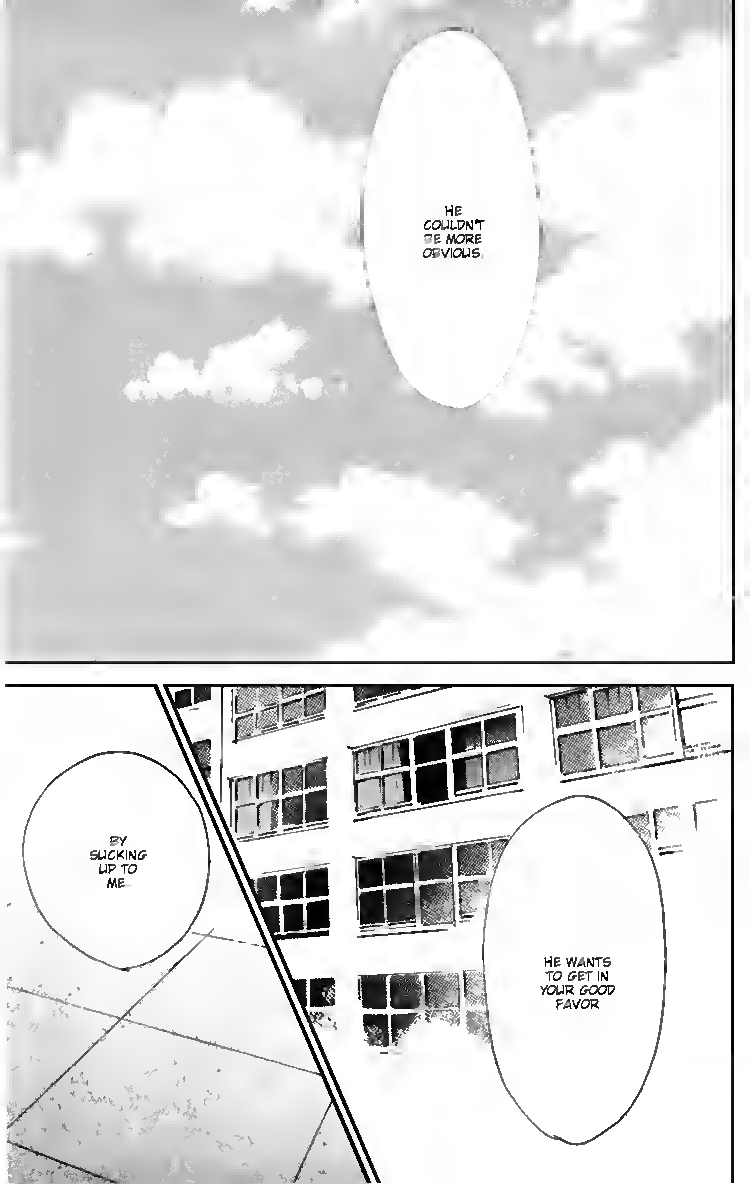
I'm going to read to you a poem I wrote
Creeped out
my friend was, and now,
I'm all alone
by Kabu
I'm in the dumps I've never felt worse
MASTER DUMMY
WENT AND SNAPPED A BRANCH FROM THE CHERRY BLOSSO NOW DIDN'T
OLD HAG!
KNOCK KNOCK
MY!
That's why I'm so lonely.

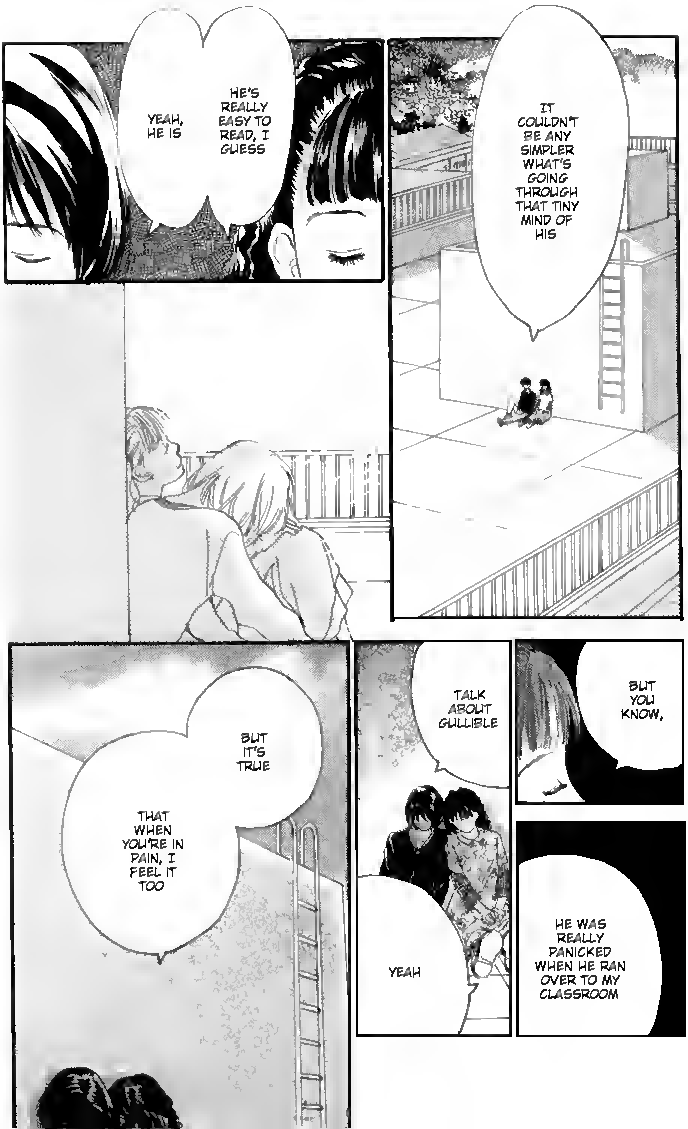
THAT ORANGE-HAIRED BOY~
YOU CAN TELL RIGHT AWAY IF HE'S NOT HERE—
HMMM
?

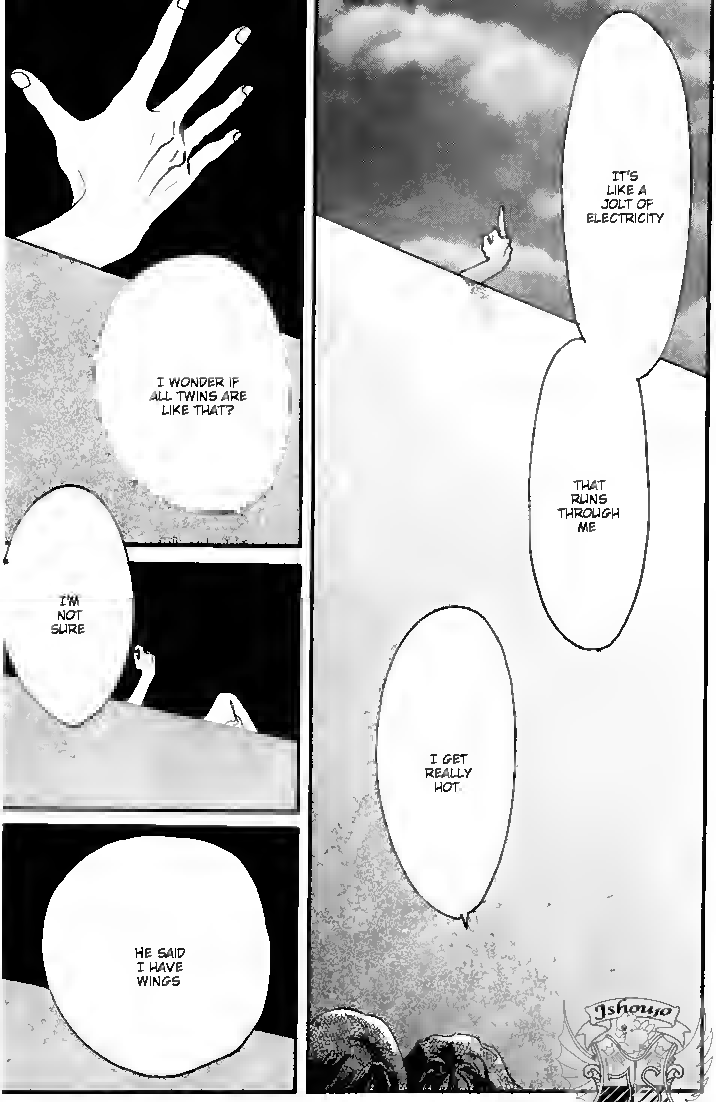
DO YOU HATE THAT GUY?

step


WELL...
NO, NOT REALLY...
IS THAT RIGHT?
WELL THEN, I GUESS THAT'S OKAY.


HE COULDN'T BE MORE OBVIOUS.
BY SUCKING UP TO ME.
HE WANTS TO GET IN YOUR GOOD FAVOR


HE'S REALLY EASY TO READ, I GUESS
YEAH, HE IS
IT COULDN'T BE ANY SIMPLER WHAT'S GOING THROUGH THAT TINY MIND OF HIS
BUT YOU KNOW,
TALK ABOUT GULLIBLE
HE WAS REALLY PANICKED WHEN HE RAN OVER TO MY CLASSROOM
YEAH
BUT IT'S TRUE
THAT WHEN YOU'RE IN PAIN, I FEEL IT TOO

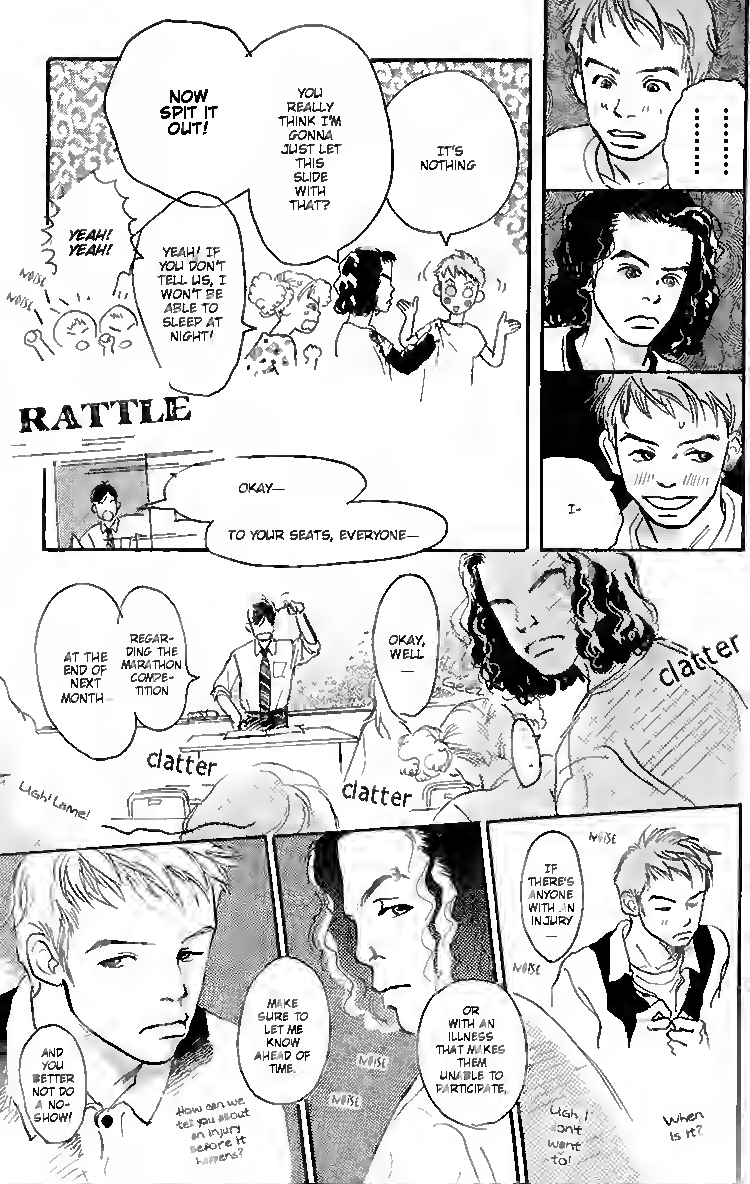

IT'S LIKE A JOLT OF ELECTRICITY
THAT RUNS THROUGH ME
I GET REALLY HOT.
I WONDER IF ALL TWINS ARE LIKE THAT?
I'M NOT SURE
HE SAID I HAVE WINGS

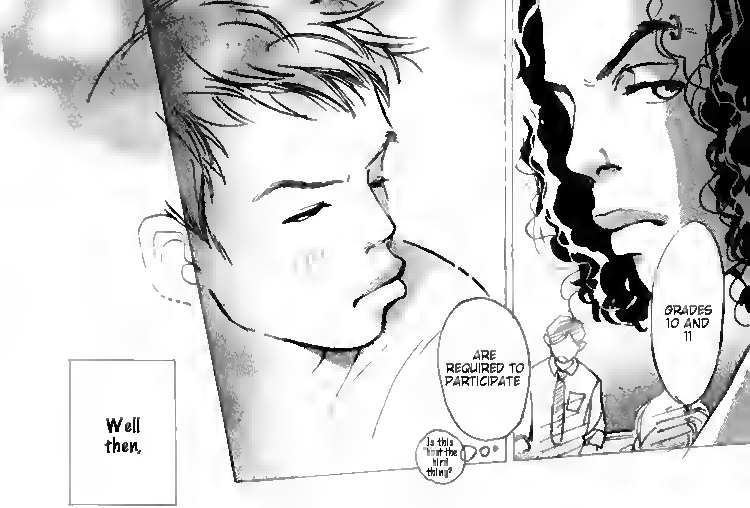
Ishouyo Scans

YOU DO THOUGH.
!
.....

……

WHOA
WHOAAAA!
WHOAA-
1-7
CRAAANKKKK!
RATTLE
CLATTER


NOW SPIT IT OUT!
YOU REALLY THINK I'M GONNA JUST LET THIS SLIDE WITH THAT?
IT'S NOTHING
YEAH! YEAH!
YEAH! IF YOU DON'T TELL US, I WON'T BE ABLE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT!
MUSE
MUSE
RATTLE
OKAY—
TO YOUR SEATS, EVERYONE—
I-
AT THE END OF NEXT MONTH—
REGARDING THE MARATHON COMPETITION
OKAY, WELL—
clatter
clatter
clatter
Ugh! Lame!
AND YOU BETTER NOT DO A NO-SHOW!
how can we tell you about an injury before it happens?
MAKE SURE TO LET ME KNOW AHEAD OF TIME.
MUSE
MUSE
OR WITH AN ILLNESS THAT MAKES THEM UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE.
IF THERE'S ANYONE WITH AN INJURY—
MUSE
MUSE
Ugh, I don't want to!
When is it?



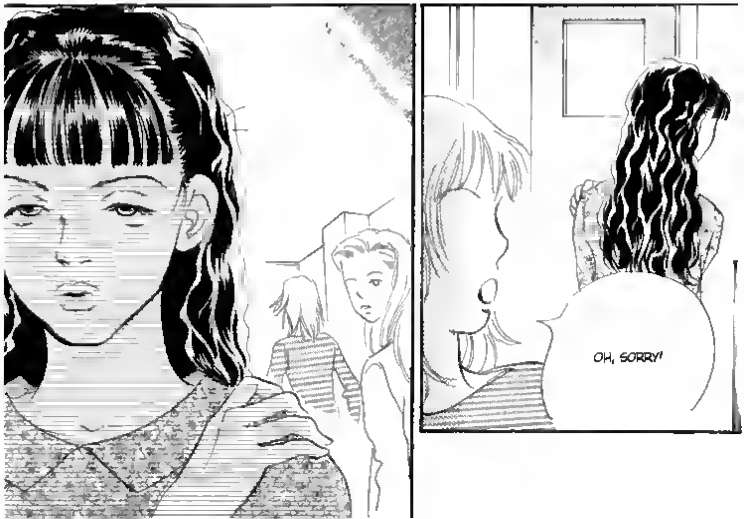
I better start thinking!

HEY?
.....
YOU'RE PROBABLY JUST JUMBLIN' 'EM BOTH UP RIGHT NOW IN YOUR HEAD
'CAUSE YOU GOT 'EM MIXED UP?
LIKE, REMEMBER HOW YOU TURNED ALL RED IN FRONT OF "ICHI" THE OTHER DAY?
THEY'RE TWINS, SO YOU JUST NATURALLY
WELL, THAT'S PROBABLY JUST 'CAUSE
grabs
I SHOULD'VE NEVER TOLD ANYONE
YOU JUST WANT TO SAY I'M MESSED UP, DON'T YOU?
OKAY THEN,
JUST SO WE'RE CLEAR HERE?

WHOA!!
FUCKING, GEEZ~
Give me a fucking break!
NOW LET'S GO!
Get up!
SOME-ONE HELP ME!
Why?
YOU MON-KEY!
SHUT THE HELL UP!
noooo~
YOU THINK I'M BELOW YOU, DON'T YOU?!
GOT IT, KABU-SAN?!
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO'D PUT UP WITH SHIT LIKE THIS FROM YOU,
ow" ow" owww ow
im sorry, im sorry
Udou Akinori
SLAM
SLAM
Kaburagi Tsuyoshi
WANNA COME OVER TO MY PLACE?
.....
WE CAN TALK
ABOUT THE CONTENTS OF THAT MIND OF YOURS

HOW 'BOUT MY PLACE?
THAT'S NOT TRUE
WELL INE DOESN'T LIKE ME VERY MUCH, DOES SHE?
MOM DOESN'T LIKE ME VERY MUCH THOUGH, DOES SHE?
YOUR
(HUKLE)

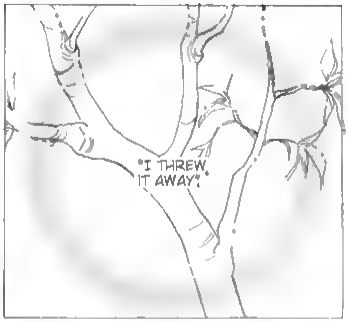
THUD


OH, SORRY!

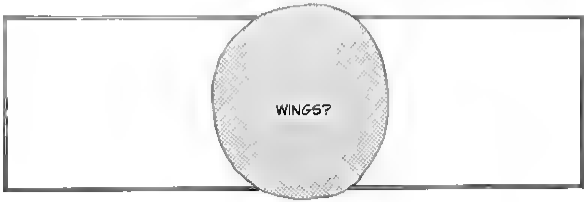
NANA~
LET'S GO HOME~
WHY'D HE ACT SO SURPRISED
WHEN HE LOOKED AT US?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW?
WHEN HE'S AROUND ME...
HEY
EARLIER TODAY...
YEAH?
I DON'T KNOW...
MY MIND GOES ALL FUNNY
HIGH SCHOOL'S
PRETTY COMPLICATED, ISN'T IT?

I'M BACK!
Today,
while I was heading back home
when I saw the cherry blossom branch stuck in the corner of an empty lot
Right beside it was dog crap.
I was walking by myself after I'd said goodbye to Crank

is something that's worth placing your last glimmer of hope on.


"I THREW IT AWAY."

Even though she planted it in a place like this, it's probably a goner.
but this, Kabu-my man.


WINGS?

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A Rose-Colored Tomorrow

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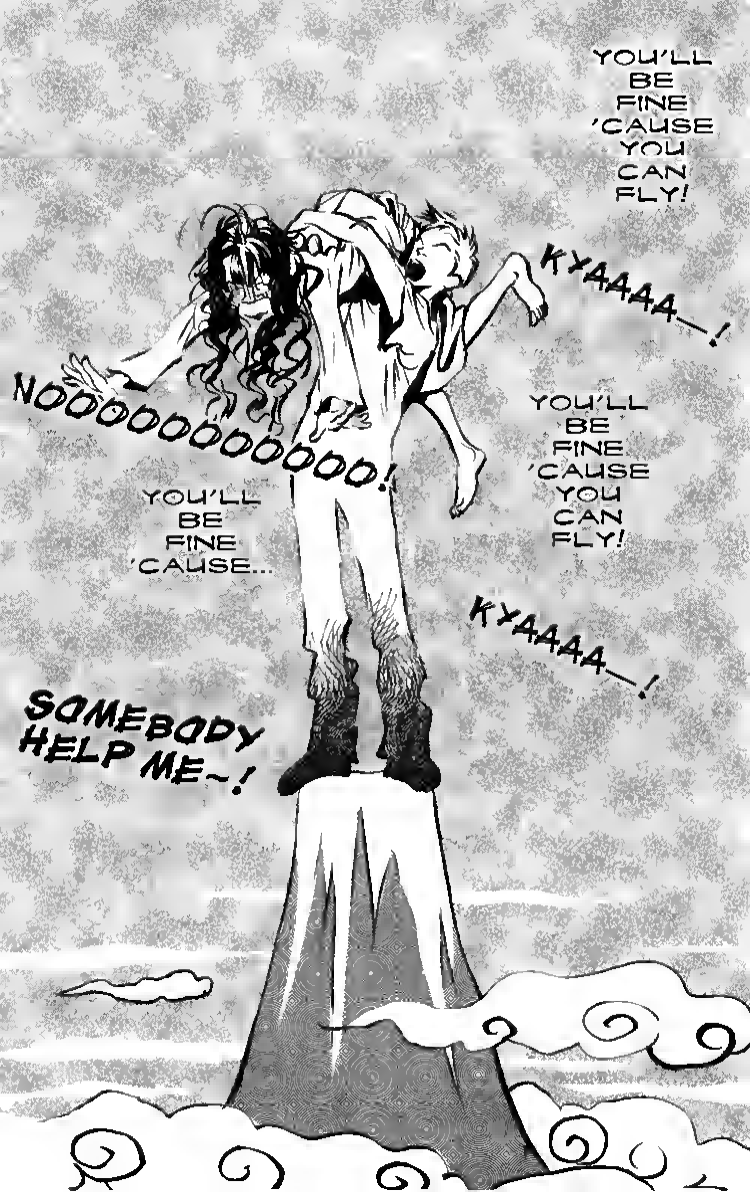
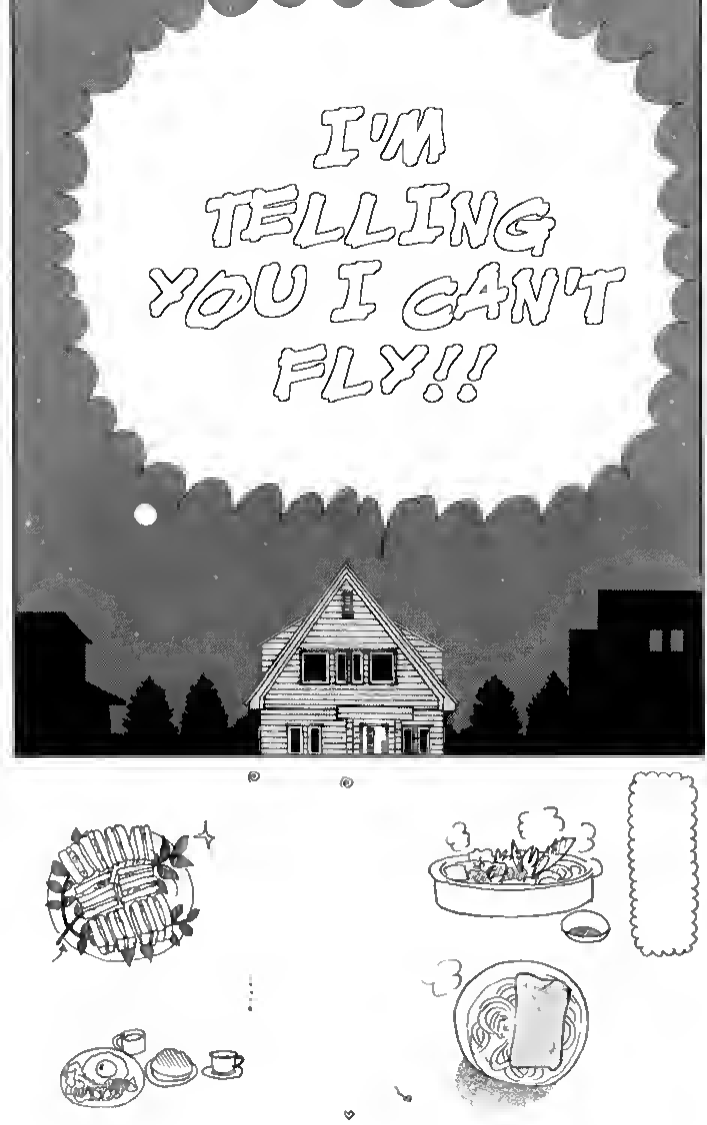
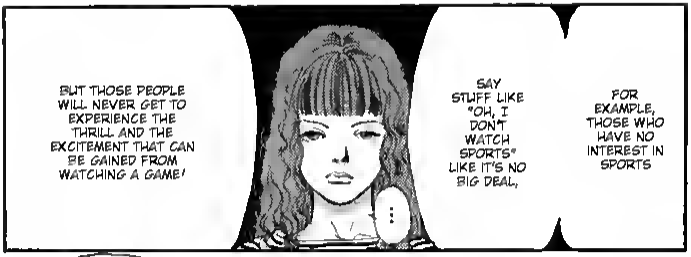

YOU'LL BE FINE 'CAUSE YOU CAN FLY!
KYAAAA—!
NOOOOOOOOOOO!
YOU'LL BE FINE 'CAUSE YOU CAN FLY!
YOU'LL BE FINE 'CAUSE...
KYAAAA—!
SOMEBODY HELP ME~!

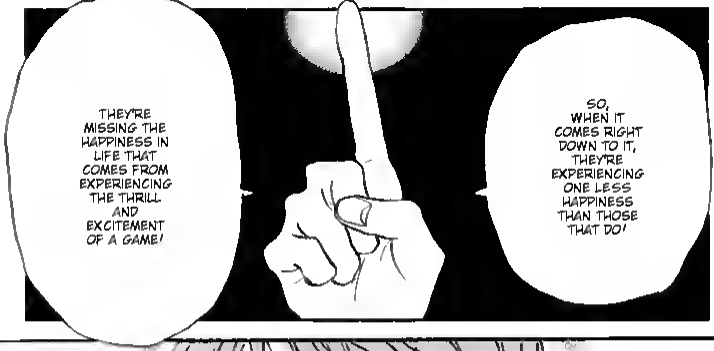

I'M TELLING YOU I CAN'T FLY!!

chirp
chirp
chirp
tweet
tweet
chirp
chirp
.....
Ishoujo
Scans
SLAM
NANA...
YOU'VE BEEN SUFFERING FROM NIGHTMARES EVERY NIGHT FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS NOW,
SO IT'S REALLY FOR YOUR BENEFIT FOR US TO SLEEP IN THE SAME BED

My house's enveloped in a semi-transparent white film, and so that's probably why it was so cozy.
In the morning, we would say hi to each other, and at night, we would say good night before going to sleep.
It also had a moderate amount of tragedy.
and a moderate amount of angst.
My house was adequately lively and adequately kind
along with Ichi who's been with me every step of the way and who's more like a part of my body.
with my grandfather (Koku-chan) and my grandmother (Kiku-chan)
My house used to be really cozy
HEY, KIKU-CHAN, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS, WILL YOU?
'CAUSE IF YOU WRITE THIS TO SOMEONE WHO'S IN THE HOSPITAL SICK, THEY'LL THINK, "OH, SO MY TIME HAS FINALLY COME".
WHY?
I THINK YOU BETTER REWRITE THIS.
YO,

There's a reason for my stupid letter and reoccurring nightmares
POST CARD
The lilacs have begun to bloom
Apparently, I have wings sprouting from my back. Did you see them when you met me?
NaNa
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SEE THEM
NO, THAT'S NOT THE POINT
HMM?
MY
NANA-CHAN,
THE WAY I SEE IT,
IT'S NOT HEALTHY FOR YOU TO AVOID THINGS JUST BECAUSE YOU "CAN'T BE BOTHERED TO DO IT" OR BECAUSE YOU "HAVE NO INTEREST IN IT"
IF YOU KEEP LIVING YOUR LIFE LIKE THAT, ONE DAY YOU'RE GOING TO END UP OVERLOOKING SOMETHING IMPORTANT

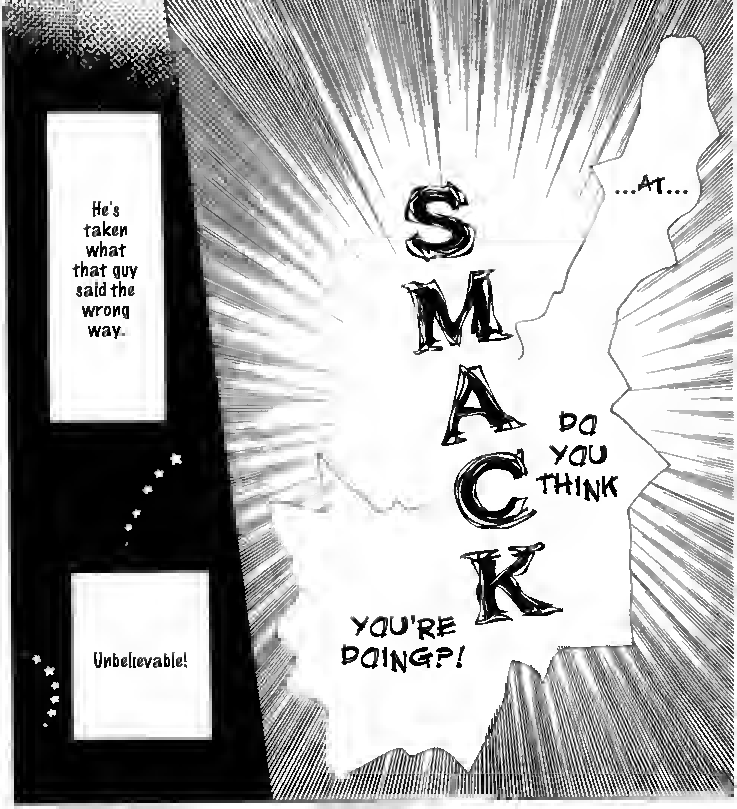

FOR EXAMPLE, THOSE WHO HAVE NO INTEREST IN SPORTS
SAY STUFF LIKE "OH, I DON'T WATCH SPORTS" LIKE IT'S NO BIG DEAL,
...
BUT THOSE PEOPLE WILL NEVER GET TO EXPERIENCE THE THRILL AND THE EXCITEMENT THAT CAN BE GAINED FROM WATCHING A GAME!

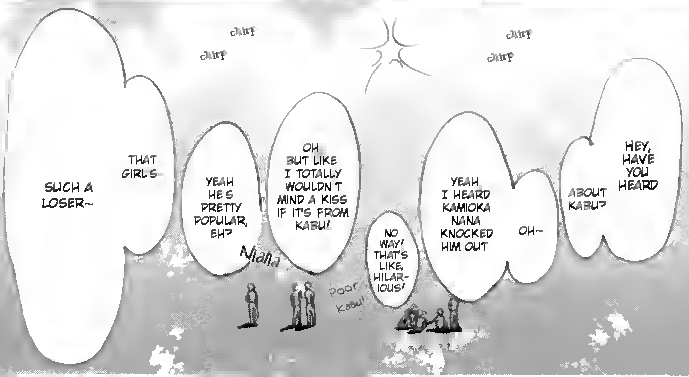

SO, WHEN IT COMES RIGHT DOWN TO IT, THEY'RE EXPERIENCING ONE LESS HAPPINESS THAN THOSE THAT DO!
THEY'RE MISSING THE HAPPINESS IN LIFE THAT COMES FROM EXPERIENCING THE THRILL AND EXCITEMENT OF A GAME!

WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS THAT, NANA-CHAN,

YOU SHOULD TAKE A LEAP OF FAITH INTO THE UNKNOWN WITH ME—SO THAT WE CAN BOTH EXPERIENCE HAPPINESS UNLIKE ANYTHING WE'VE EVER FELT BEFORE!
WHOA... TALK ABOUT DOING A ROUND-ABOUT
KABU-CHAN~ COULD YOU BE ANY MORE OBVIOUS THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO GET INTO HER PANTS?
so that's what he was going for, huh?
Huh
so it's better not to do anything to aggravate him
It's just my guess, but he's probably not someone you want to mess with.
DI
DO
NC
NG
KABU~ A REAL MAN KNOWS WHEN TO CALL IT QUITS!
"WELL... YOU HAVE WINGS."
.....
NANA-CHAN!
IS THAT RIGHT?
CLATTER
S'sh
TN

FORGET ABOUT ME, OKAY?
DON'T
wh...


He's taken what that guy said the wrong way.
Unbelievable!
SMACK
...AT...
DO YOU THINK
YOU'RE DOING?!


SUCH A LOSER--
THAT GIRL'S
chirp
chirp
YEAH HE'S PRETTY POPULAR, EH?
Nishi
OH, BUT LIKE I TOTALLY WOULDN'T MIND A KISS IF IT'S FROM KABU!
Poor Kabu!
NO WAY! THAT'S LIKE, HILARIOUS!
chirp
chirp
YEAH I HEARD KAMIOKA NANA KNOCKED HIM OUT
OH--
ABOUT KABU?
HEY, HAVE YOU HEARD

click
Kam oks Nana
IT'S NOTHING.
PAT PAT
WHAT'S THAT ALL ABOUT?
I GIVE UP...
.....
A long time ago, Ichi
.....
drugged this guy who purposely stuck gum in my hair.
I BROUGHT IT BY ACCIDENT
AND I CAN'T DRINK SODA
HERE
WOULD YOU LIKE IT INSTEAD?

YOUR LUNCH SET!
MR. CRAB
MR. OCTOPUS
WHAT?
It had a laxative in it.
AHA
HA
HA
ICHI-KUN, THAT IS ADORABLE!
Kya
hehe
YOU CAN TOTALLY TELL YOU'RE REALLY LOVED!
YO, KAMIOKA~
GO AWAY.
SHUT UP!
NO SIR!
ARE YOU ASKING FOR A DEATH WISH?
spurts
IS IT TRUE YOU PRACTICE INCEST?

NANA-CHAN
DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE CREATURES LIVING IN THE DESERTS OF THE SOUTH POLE?
There's no particular meaning in this posture
IF THERE CAN BE LIFE IN SUCH A COLD, DRY ZONE
THEN THERE MIGHT EVEN BE LIFE ON MARS!
NASA'S PLANNING ON DOING A LANDING ON MARS IN THE YEAR 2019! THAT SHOULD BE EXCITING, EH?
OH, HEY TALKING ABOUT BEINGS ON MARS—THEY SAY THE BEINGS THERE ARE OCTOPUS-SHAPED, RIGHT?
.....
WELL, DID YOU KNOW OCTOPI ARE ACTUALLY REALLY SMART?
I'VE SEEN AN OCTOPUS OPEN THE CAP OF A BOTTLE BEFORE! THAT'S AMAZING, DON'T YOU THINK?
TALKING ABOUT OCTOPI—TAKOYAKI'S* WHERE IT'S AT, DON'T YOU THINK?
Takoyaki A Japanese snack with octopus pieces inside

PLONK
LATELY, THE TAKOYAKI STAND BEHIND THE SCHOOL STARTED UP THIS THING THEY CALL "CHEESE TAKOYAKI," AND IT'S A WHOLE EIGHTY CENTS MORE THAN THE PLAIN ONE. SO, I TOOK THE RISK AND ORDERED IT THE OTHER DAY, AND WHAT DO YOU KNOW! THE LADY WHO ALWAYS WORKS THERE TOLD ME, "COMING RIGHT UP!" AND SQUATTED DOWN AND JUST SPRINKLED THE KINDA CHEESE YOU PUT ON PIZZA ON TOP OF THE TAKOYAKI!
OH, EXCUSE ME
I THOUGHT YOU WERE A GARBAGE CAN
I THINK THIS DRINK'S GONE SOUR
ICHI-KUN
IS YOUR STOMACH FEELING OKAY?
IT FEELS PERFECTLY FINE.
NANA LEND ME YOUR JAPANESE-ENGLISH DICTIONARY, WILL YOU?

In front of him, the fierceness of his poker face does a double fold.
HE'S THE ONLY ONE THAT'S HAVING FUN.
WHY DON'T YOU TELL HIM OFF ONCE AND FOR ALL?
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING TALKING TO THAT GUY LIKE YOU'RE HAVING SUCH A GREAT TIME?
Why are you in that class anyway?

HE'S NOT REALLY SOMEONE YOU WOULD WANT TO MAKE ANGRY, YOU KNOW?
DON'T YOU THINK THERE'S SOMETHING A BIT OFF ABOUT HIM?
.....
BUT

YOU SHOULD DRAW A LINE BEFORE HE STARTS SAYING STUFF LIKE "LET ME GET ON YOUR BACK SO WE CAN BOTH FLY TOGETHER".
HAHA
dry laugh

I GUESS YOU'VE GOT A POINT THERE
BUT STILL,

New Menu Item! Cheese Takoyaki
Thanks for coming!
clap!
.....
...IT'S BECAUSE YOU TALKED ABOUT TAKOYAKI THAT IT MADE ME WANT TO HAVE SOME!
.....
.....

chirp
chirp
OH, THEN I'LL JOIN YOU!
I HAVE P.E. NEXT AND WE HAVE TO DO A MARATHON, AND THERE'S NO WAY I'M DOING THAT!
IT DOESN'T MATTER!
LUNCH IS ALMOST OVER SOON
He's...
trying to contain his laughter...
.....
...
How did we end up like this?
NANA-CHAN
FOR PEOPLE TO MEET "BY COINCIDENCE" IS ACTUALLY A PRETTY AMAZING RARITY, DON'T YOU THINK?

...Don't tell me
that he's planning on saying that our bumping into each other "by coincidence" in front of the takoyaki stand is actually our "fate" or something?
Smiles
Flinch
Flinch
YOU THINK I'M A WEIRDO, DON'T YOU?
YOU THINK I'VE GOT A SCREW LOOSE, DON'T YOU?
WELL, YOU'RE RIGHT!
hehe
CRANK'S ALWAYS TELLING ME THAT TOO.
chirp
chirp
OH, CRANK'S A FRIEND OF MINE BY THE WAY.

YEAH.
THAT GUY WHO DRAGS HIS LEG A BIT, RIGHT?
chew chew
"DO YOU HATE THE GUY?"
OOH...
HE'S BEEN WITH ME SINCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!
HOW I'VE ALWAYS BEEN IN THE SAME CLASS AS HIM FOR THIS LONG?
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S AMAZING
thump
.....
sigh~
LIFE DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS~
rustle
rustle
rustle
stretch
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME. DON'T BE SILLY, I KNOW!
THAT PROBABLY CAME OUT WRONG, BUT I DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING BAD BY IT.

YEAH
DO YOU STILL SEE IT RIGHT NOW?
chirp
chirp
WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?
IS IT PRETTY? OR DIRTY?
DOES IT FLAP ABOUT?
IT'S WHITE AND HUUUUGE.
IT'S SUPER PRETTY!
.....
IT PROBABLY COULD
IF YOU WANTED IT TO...

There really must be...
something really wrong with him...
M-
MY FATHER'S IN THE HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW BECAUSE OF AN ILLNESS.
THE HOSPITAL'S PRETTY FAR AWAY FROM HERE, SO I WRITE HIM POSTCARDS AS OFTEN AS I CAN
THE OTHER DAY THOUGH, WHEN I MENTIONED THE STUFF ABOUT MY WINGS, ICHI TOLD ME THAT IT'S BAD LUCK TO MENTION SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO SOMEONE SUFFERING FROM AN ILLNESS.
ONCE I THOUGHT IT OVER THOUGH, I REALIZED HE WAS RIGHT. SO DON'T SAY STUFF LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF ME ANYMORE, GOT IT?
BECAUSE THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS,
I DON'T HAVE WINGS!
SLIP

rustle
KYAAAA
sldeeee
roll
THUD
OWW
O
rustle
rustle
SEE?
WHAT'D I TELL YOU?
I DON'T HAVE
WI...
NGS...

A...
.....
ARE YOU...
HUH?
...
ARE YOU
OKAY?
He's seriously
scary
ARE YOU OKAY...?
.....

THUD
I DON'T LIKE
PEOPLE TOUCHING ME!
YOU MEAN BY ANYONE OTHER THAN ICHI?
IS THAT HOW YOU PLAN ON LIVING OUT THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?

flip
Kamioka Nan...
giggle giggle SNICKERS
I HEARD IF YOU DON'T PARTICIPATE IN THE MARATHON, YOU WON'T GET A GOOD GRADE IN P...
KAMIOKA-SAN—
I
sleep holding hands with Ichi
DIINNGG
DONGGG
DIIINGG
DONGGG

Jshoujo Scans

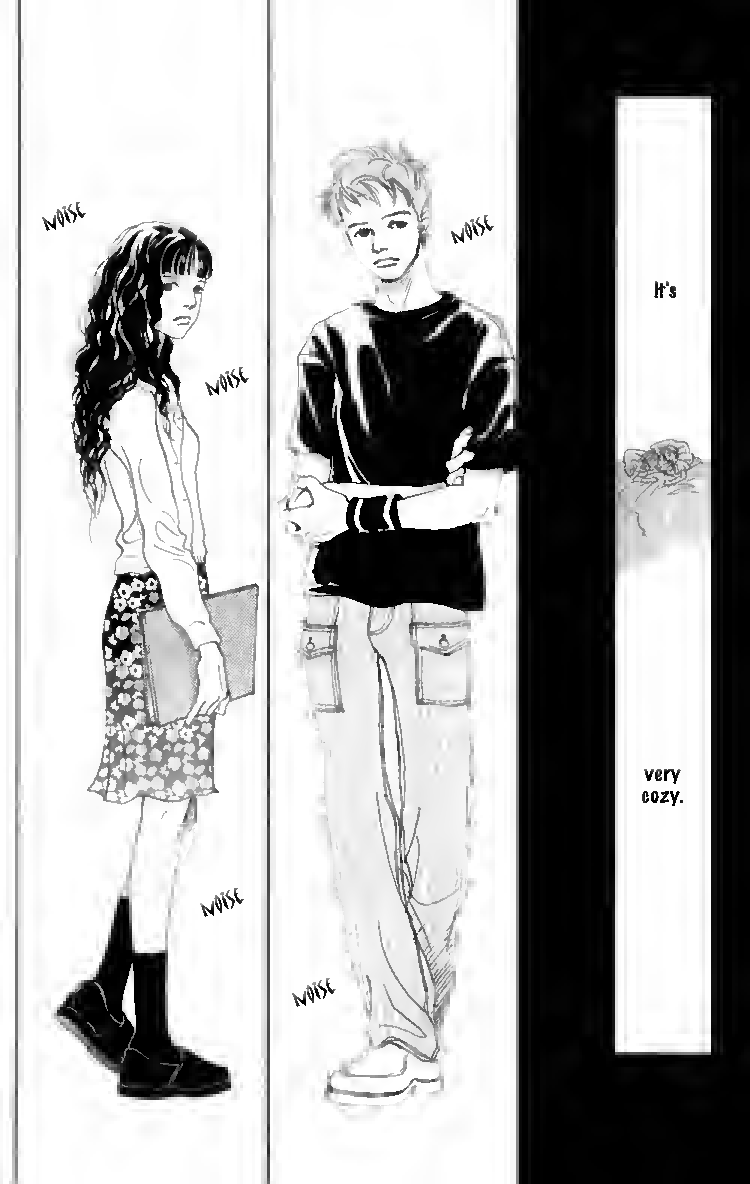
By morning though,

the pillows and sheets are all over the place.

but we're able to sleep like babies so it really doesn't matter.

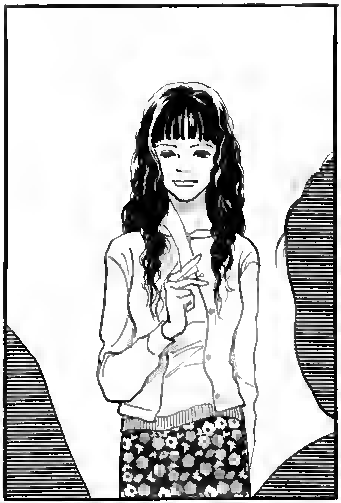
...HEY.

DURING LUNCH...
WHERE WERE YOU?
I WENT...
TO GO BUY TAKOYAKI.
SNICKERS
WHY'D YOU DO THAT?
WHAT THE HELL?
IT WAS DELICIOUS.
HUH...
NANA, IS IT JUST ME, OR HAVE YOU GAINED WEIGHT LATELY?
WHAT?!
NO WAY! ARE YOU SERIOUS?!
Swish
IT'S LIKE...
YEAH...
YOU FEEL A LOT SOFTER...

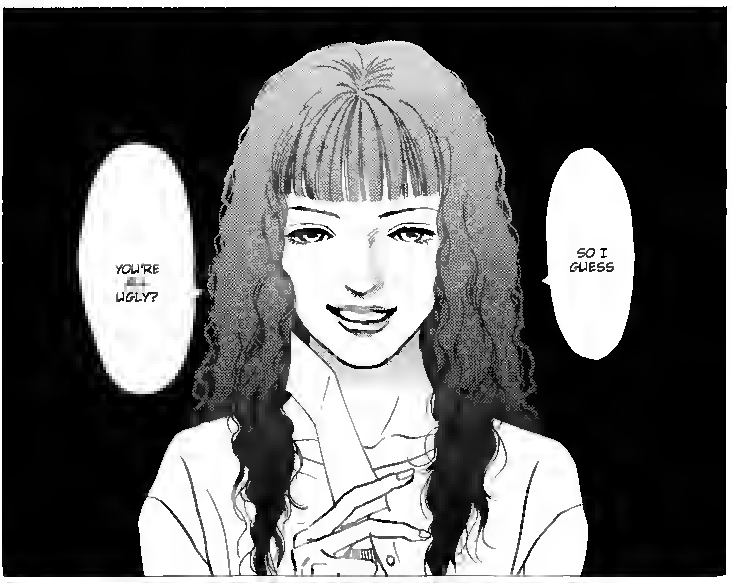

NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
It's
very
cozy.

I'M SORRY
MISC
BUT I CAN'T HELP IT— I SAY AND ACT BEFORE I EVEN THINK ABOUT IT
AND I'VE GOTTEN INTO DEEP SHIT IN THE PAST BECAUSE OF IT
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN PRETTY IMPULSIVE,
So in other words you have zero learning capacity?
WHEN I TRY TO KEEP IT BOTTLED UP INSIDE IT FEELS REALLY GROSS, YOU KNOW?
That's the same for everyone though. The only difference is they have the ability to keep that all in check.
IF YOU COULD FORGIVE A GUY LIKE ME THEN THAT'D BE GREAT
WHOAA?! HOW DID THESE TWO MOVIE TICKETS GET HERE?!
Who put these in my pocket?!
OOH~ NOT ONLY THAT, THEY'RE ONLY GOOD 'TIL SUNDAY!
FLOATING
SLOWLY
I DIDN'T TOUCH YOU

YEAH, BUT I WON'T BE GOING
IS THAT RIGHT? WELL, I'LL BE WAITING.
I'M NOT GOING
LET'S MEET UP IN FRONT OF THE NICHIGEKI MUSIC HALL AT TEN!
ALL RIGHTY THEN!
I'LL WAIT FOREVER!
GRIPS
.....
IF SHE'S NOT GONNA GO, SHE SHOULDN'T HAVE ACCEPTED THE TICKET IN THE FIRST PLACE
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
YOU KNOW, KABU DIDN'T USE TO BE LIKE THIS~
Yeah, I hear you.
WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS ANYWAY?
ahaha
giggle
giggle
SOME PRINCESS OR SOMETHING?



EVEN IF YOU HAVE A ROTTEN PERSONALITY, I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER AS LONG AS YOU'RE GOOD-LOOKING
HE DOESN'T HANG OUT WITH US THAT MUCH ANYMORE
Yeah, no kidding!
UGHH~ TALK ABOUT LAME!
Hey you know how~
AH
.....
.....


YOU'RE UGLY?
SO I GUESS

just leave us alone?!
Why can't they
Why me-?
Uah. it's all so lame!
Everything has just been SO messed up ever since I started high school here!
This is SO stupid!
This is SO stupid!
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
GIRLS CHANGING ROOM
NOISE
NOISE
HUH
I'm exhausted
SLAM
SLAM

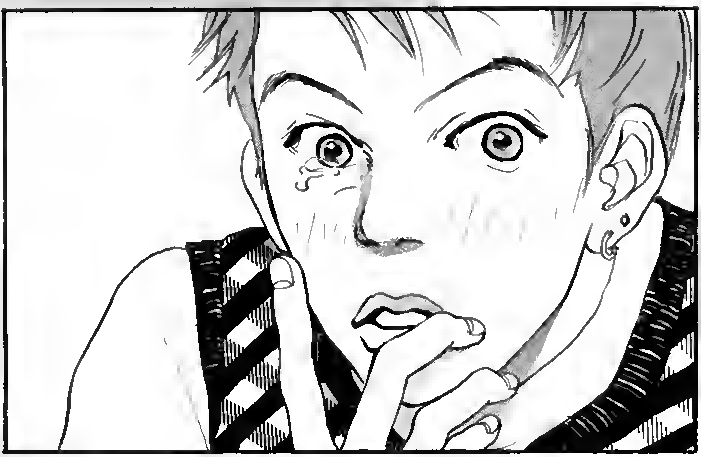
Hey, can I borrow your deodorant spray?
Kyu
Kyu
I want to take a shower~
Ughhh~ I'm so tired~
MIST
MIST
MIST

It's so stupid that I'm about to keel over.

NANA-CHAN

STOP TRYING TO INTRUDE
AND STOP APPEARING IN MY DREAMS!
STOP HASSLING ME!
WHY'VE THINGS AROUND ME BECOME SO HECTIC?
HUH?
DID YOU JUST COME BACK FROM THE MARA-THON?
THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT
HEY~ YOUR CHEEKS ARE ALL RED!
THAT'S ADOR-ABLE!
hehe

MORON!
INTO OUR TERRITORY!
WOW
SO WHAT...
DASHES
AWAY
YOU APPEAR IN HER DREAMS?



LIKE I SAID~ KABU!

YOU SHOULD JUST WAKE UP AND SMELL THE COFFEE!

YEAH!

SHE'S JUST DECEIVING YOU!

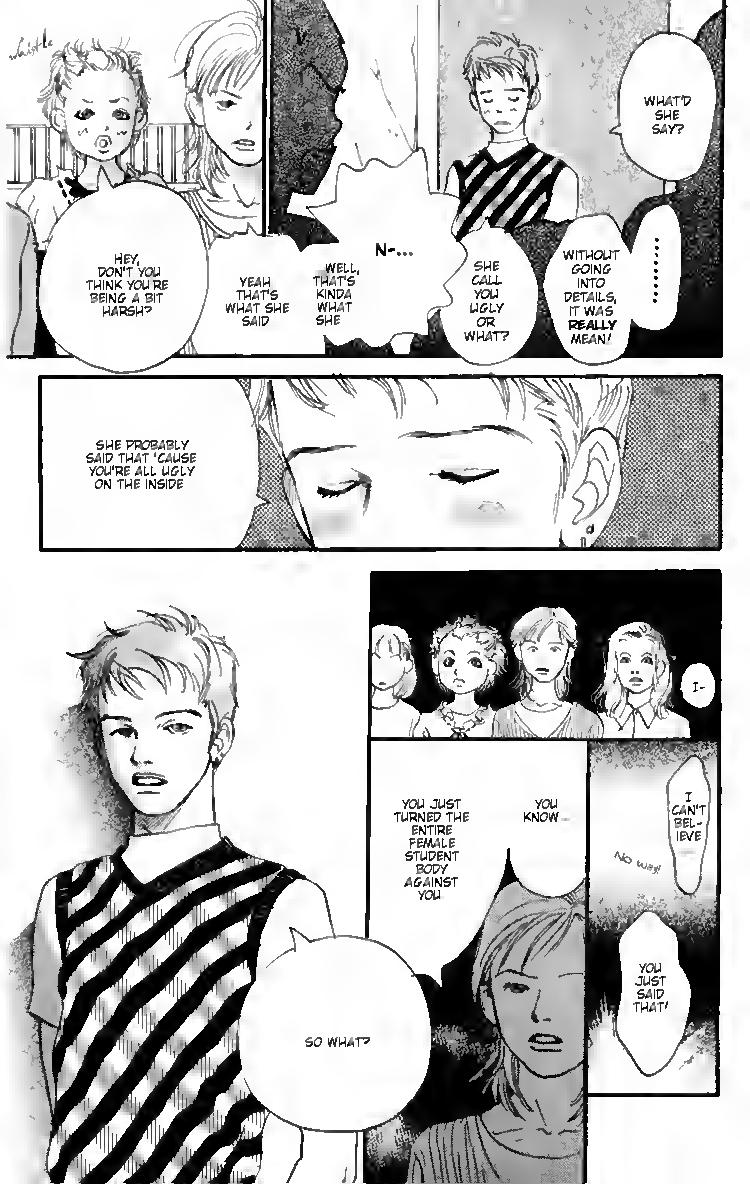
THERE'S NOT A SINGLE GIRL AT THIS SCHOOL WHO HAS ANYTHING GOOD TO SAY ABOUT HER!

YEAH!

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS SHE'S GOT AN ATTITUDE LIKE YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE!

SHE'S LET THE FACT THAT SHE'S PRETTY GET TO HER HEAD. YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE THE KIND OF MEAN THINGS SHE'S SAID TO US!

Ishouo Scans


WHAT'D SHE SAY?
.....
WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILS, IT WAS REALLY MEAN!
SHE CALL YOU UGLY OR WHAT?
N-...
WELL, THAT'S KINDA WHAT SHE
YEAH THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID
HEY, DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE BEING A BIT HARSH?
SHE PROBABLY SAID THAT 'CAUSE YOU'RE ALL UGLY ON THE INSIDE
I-
I CAN'T BEL-IEVE
NO WAY!
YOU JUST SAID THAT?
YOU KNOW...
YOU JUST TURNED THE ENTIRE FEMALE STUDENT BODY AGAINST YOU
SO WHAT?

NANA'S

MY
EVERYTHING.

How is it

that you can fall for someone so deeply?

chirp
chirp
vroom
honk
honk
I have wings?
Is it because

YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SAID YOU'D WAIT "FOREVER", WEREN'T YOU?
WELL
honk
I...
I...
MOVI
vroooom
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU WEREN'T COMING...
THAT YOU ACTUALLY MEANT IT
I WAS AFRAID
He's the type to come and haunt you
PLINK

"YOU'LL BE FINE 'CAUSE YOU CAN FLY"

as it turned out had a crush on me

A Rose-Colored Tomorrow

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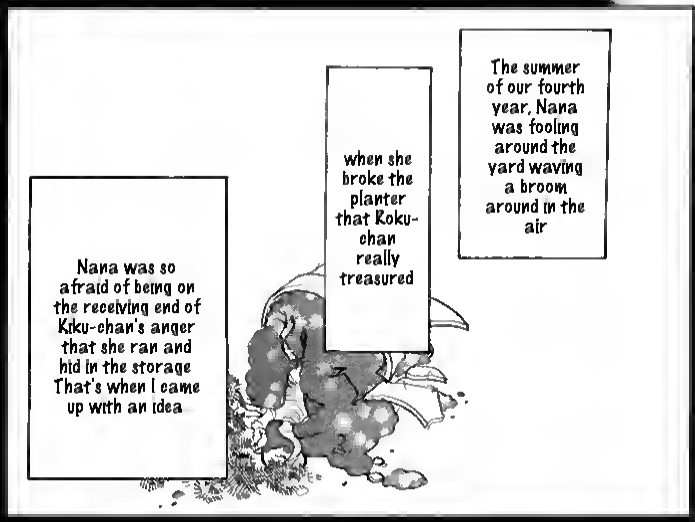
He's not a black crow.


The summer of our fourth year, Nana was fooling around the yard waving a broom around in the air
when she broke the planter that Koku-chan really treasured
Nana was so afraid of being on the receiving end of Kiku-chan's anger that she ran and hid in the storage That's when I came up with an idea

SLAP

LET'S SWITCH CLOTHES

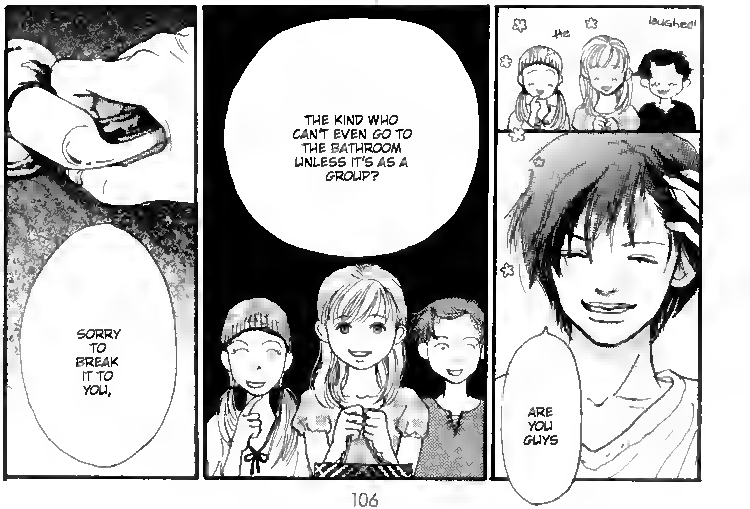
I'm—
We're—
TO APOLOGISE TO ROKU-CHAN!
MAKE SURE
really—

I'M SORRY TO INTRUDE ON YOU OUT OF THE BLUE... BUT I HEARD THAT IT WAS YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY...
AND EVEN THOUGH I COULD'VE JUST WAITED UNTIL TOMORROW (MONDAY), I REALLY WANTED TO GIVE THIS TO YOU TODAY. I'M REALLY SORRY! IT'S NOT MUCH, BUT PLEASE ACCEPT IT!

chirp
chirp
I'M KANBAYASHI MIKI
UM AND JUST
FROM YOUR CLASS
SO YOU KNOW
HUH
OH

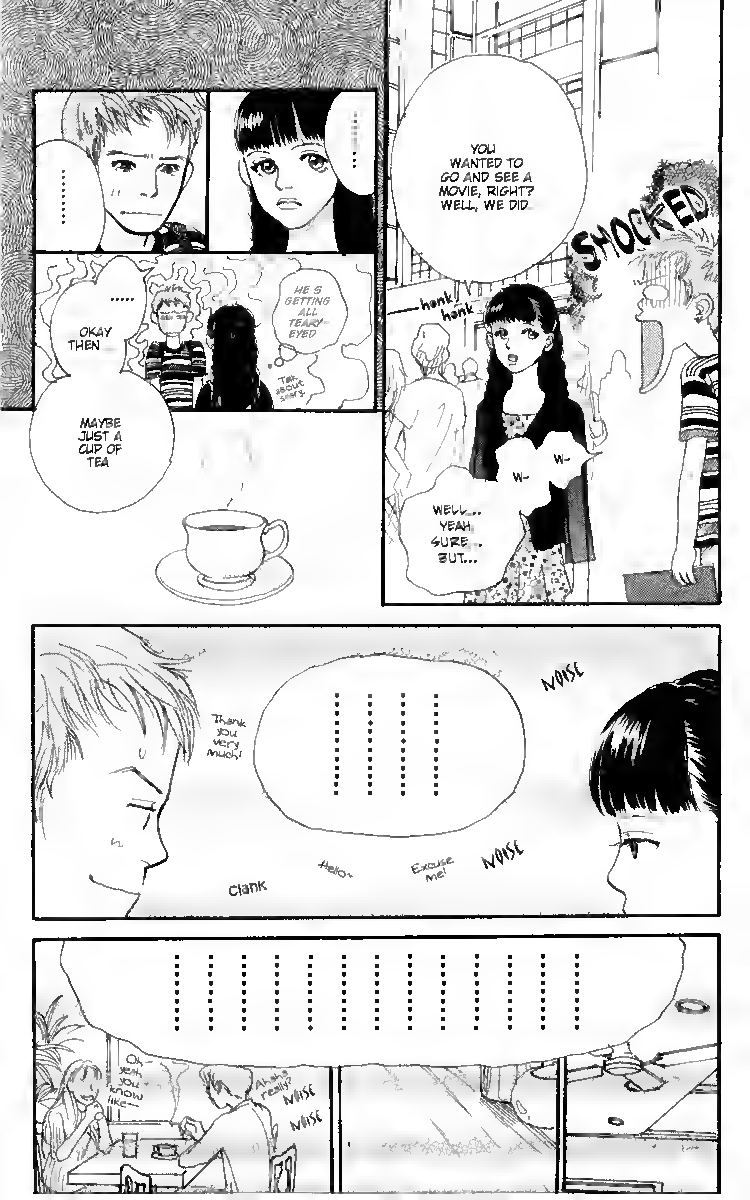
WHAT IS THIS?
U-UM, IT'S NOTHING REALLY
OH, UM!
IT'S A CAKE THAT MIKI BAKED!
YEAH SHE'S A PRO WHEN IT COMES TO STUFF LIKE THIS!
W-WELL
I'M NOT SURE ABOUT BEING A PRO
UT I FIGURED IF I WERE TO GIVE SOMETHING IT'D BE BEST TO HAVE SOMETHING THAT WOULDN'T LAST SO IT WOULDN'T BE A BURDEN
IT'S NOT MY BIRTHDAY TODAY THOUGH
HUH?
"IT'S NOT MY BIRTHDAY TODAY"
THEN WHEN IS IT ?
IN JANUARY
SAZAE-SAN!

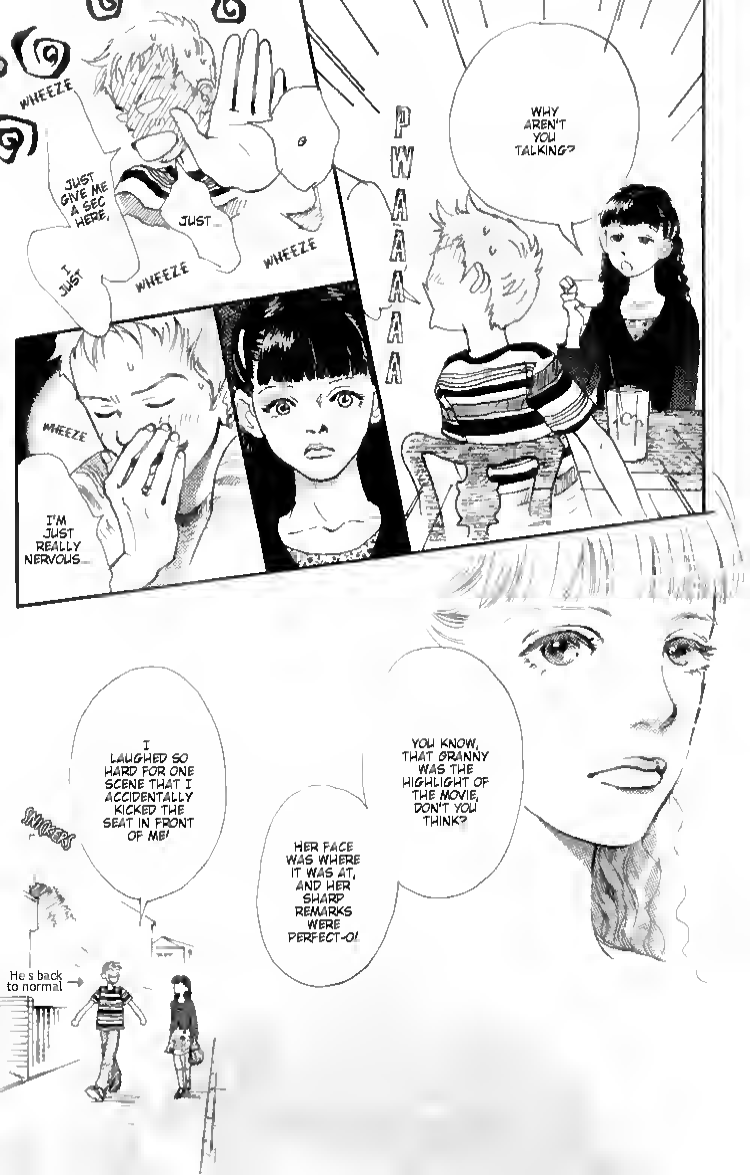
YEAH, SHE WAS SO NERVOUS COMING OVER HERE!
Pretty please?
(HUHU.E)
BUT ACCEPT HER GIFT, WON'T YOU, ICHI-KUN?
You should've seen her! She's been a bag of nerves since yesterday!
(HUHU.E)
AHAHAHAHA
ahahaha
YOU ARE SUCH A MORON!
I'M SOOOO SORRY!
How'd you get something like that mixed up?


SORRY TO BREAK IT TO YOU,
THE KIND WHO CAN'T EVEN GO TO THE BATHROOM UNLESS IT'S AS A GROUP?
the
laughed
ARE YOU GUYS

SLAM
BUT YOU GUYS ARE GETTING ON MY NERVES
Anyone
who runs into me today

will have to brush off the encounter as being just bad luck on their part. That's just the way it is
THAT WAS AWESOME!
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO NEXT? DO YOU WANT TO GO GET SOME COFFEE? OR MAYBE GRAB A BITE TO EAT?
I'M GOING HOME


YOU WANTED TO GO AND SEE A MOVIE, RIGHT? WELL, WE DID.
SHOCKED
honk! honk
W-
W-
WELL... YEAH. SURE... BUT...
HE'S GETTING ALL TEARY-EYED
TELL ABOUT SUMI'S
.....
OKAY THEN
MAYBE JUST A CUP OF TEA
Thank you very much!
Clank
Hello~
Excuse me!
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
Oh yeah, you know like—
And, really?
NOISE
NOISE


WHEEZE
JUST GIVE ME A SEC HERE,
I JUST
JUST
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
I'M JUST REALLY NERVOUS
PWAAAAA
WHY AREN'T YOU TALKING?
YOU KNOW, THAT GRANNY WAS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE MOVIE, DON'T YOU THINK?
HER FACE WAS WHERE IT WAS AT, AND HER SHARP REMARKS WERE PERFECT-O!
I LAUGHED SO HARD FOR ONE SCENE THAT I ACCIDENTALLY KICKED THE SEAT IN FRONT OF ME!
SNORKS
He's back to normal

Shoujo
Scans
SNICKERS
HAVE YOU EVER SEEN "COCCOON"? IT'S CHOCK-FULL OF GRAMPS IT'S AWESOME—
WHEN I SEE ONE COOL GRAMP, I THINK, "THAT'S WHAT I WANNA BE LIKE ONE DAY", YOU KNOW?
I LOVE GRANNIES AND GRAMPS, YOU KNOW?
.....
SO ON SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY BACK WHEN I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH,
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CALL 'EM SHOPPING CARTS?
The kind that grandmothers push!
sigh of relief
And they can sit down in the middle! It's great!
WHEN I BOUGHT HER ONE OF THOSE,
SHE CAME AT ME WITH FISTS FLYING, YELLING
"HOW OLD DO YOU THINK I AM"?
Aloha kinda harsh, right?
AS KIND OF AN OLD HAG, YOU KNOW?
AND I ALWAYS THOUGHT HER
.....
—HEHE
MY MOM DIDN'T LIKE KIDS, YOU KNOW? SO I WAS RAISED BY MY GRANDMA

THANKS FOR TODAY
WELL,
THIS
IS MY PLACE
SHE KEEPS IT IN STORAGE THOUGH 'CAUSE SHE SAYS SHE'S GONNA USE IT WHEN SHE REALLY DOES BECOME AN OLD HAG
WELCOME BACK

In grade three, we experienced being in different classes for the first time ever.

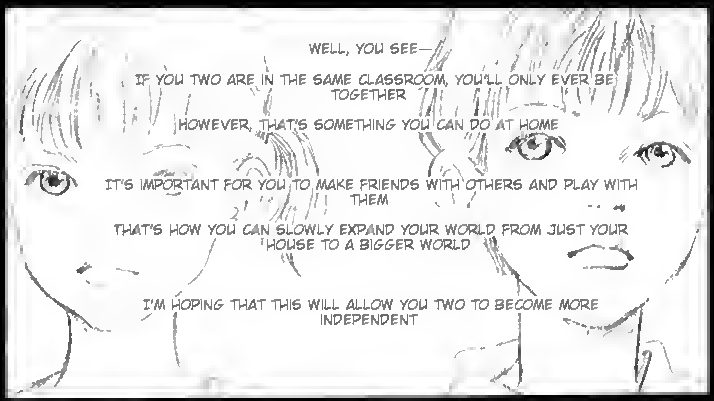
When we went to complain to the teacher,

"WHY DO WE HAVE TO BE IN SEPARATE CLASSROOMS"?

"WE'VE NEVER BEEN APART FROM EACH OTHER BEFORE"

the young female teacher smiled at us,

and told us this:


WELL, YOU SEE—
IF YOU TWO ARE IN THE SAME CLASSROOM, YOU'LL ONLY EVER BE TOGETHER
HOWEVER, THAT'S SOMETHING YOU CAN DO AT HOME
IT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH OTHERS AND PLAY WITH THEM
THAT'S HOW YOU CAN SLOWLY EXPAND YOUR WORLD FROM JUST YOUR HOUSE TO A BIGGER WORLD
I'M HOPING THAT THIS WILL ALLOW YOU TWO TO BECOME MORE INDEPENDENT

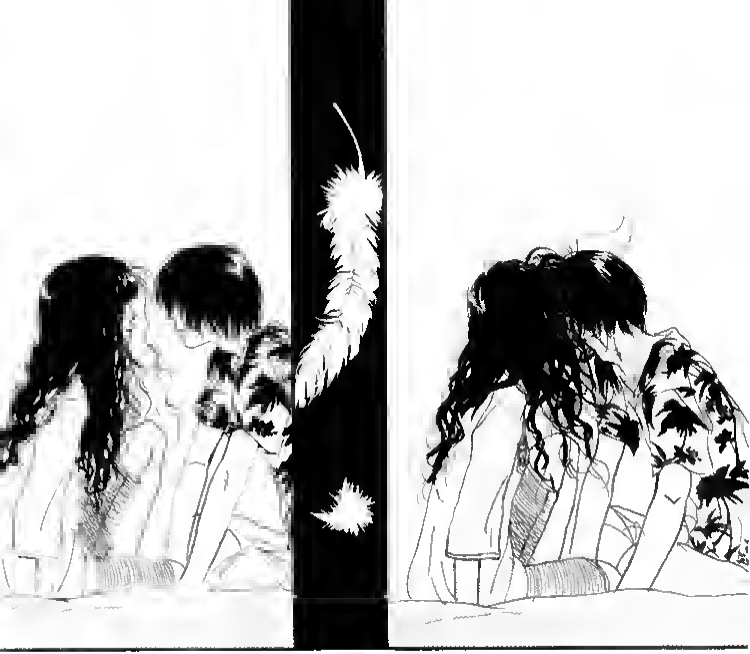
Slide

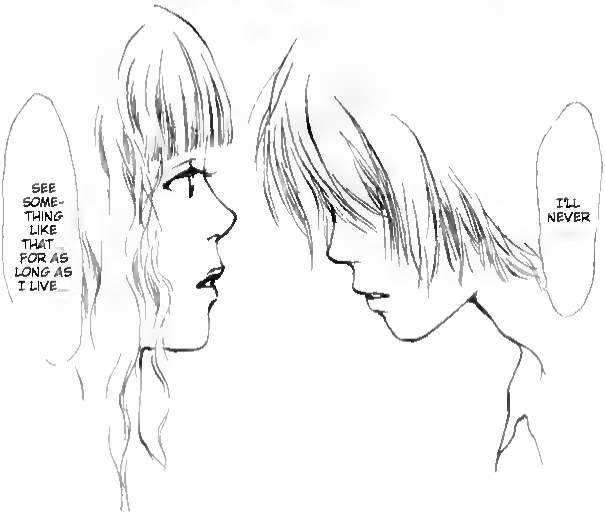
ICHI ALWAYS SMILES LIKE THAT WHEN HE HAS SOMETHING UP HIS SLEEVE.
Adults think of the stupidest of things.
From what? From where?
"To become independent"?

HE DID TELL ME, "STOP MAKING THE SAUSAGES SHAPED LIKE OCTOPUS AND CRAB"!
.....
OH! WAIT!
OH? HE DIDN'T
DIDN'T HE SAY ANYTHING TO YOU?
MY! WHAT DOES HE HAVE PLANNED? HOW FRIGHTENING!
rattle rattle
splash splash
creak
BOUNCE
BOUNCE
BOUNCE
WHAT
ARE
YOU DOING?

squeeeze
THAT'S A FAKE SMILE IF I'VE EVER SEEN ONE
...
ARE YOU MAD?
NO
WHY?
throb
throb
throb
ARE YOU GOING TO START GOING OUT WITH HIM?
AS IF!
I KNOW NOW THOUGH, THAT HE'S NOT A BAD PERSON.
.....
TRULY "BAD PEOPLE",
ARE THINGS THAT BARELY EXIST THOUGH.
IGHI,

CAN'T YOU SEE MY WINGS?
NNN
(HUCKLES)
PWAH!




SEE SOMETHING LIKE THAT... FOR AS LONG AS I LIVE...
I'LL NEVER

Back when we were in grade four—

there was this huge tree-trunk of a guy who kept on bothering Nana.

He was an idiot who thought he could draw her attention by picking on her.

I don't know why, but he was always wearing a yellow shirt.

That's why even now, yellow's the colour I despise the most —

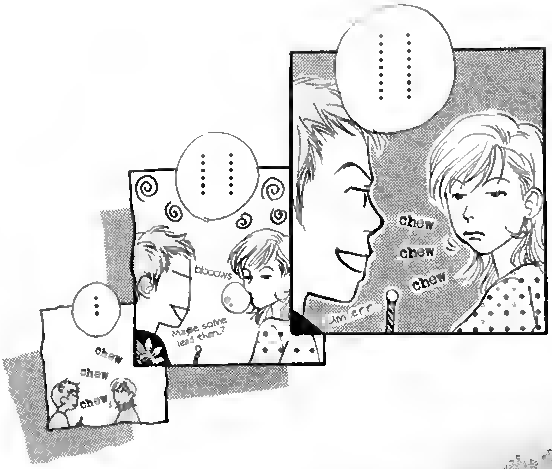
hehe
I'M GONNA CHOKE HIM TO DEATH!
VOMIT WORTHY MUCH?
I THOUGHT I'D MEET SUMMER HALFWAY!
Hey where'd his sunglasses go? Oh well
MORN-
ING?
WHAT LOVELY WEATHER TODAY!
MORN-ING!
MORN-ING
YOOOO~ MORNING!
APPARENTLY, SHE GOT INFECTED WITH THE RETARD-VIRUS AT THE MOVIE THEATRE
NANA-CHANNNNNN~
WHERE'S NANA-CHAN?
HEYYY~ WHERE'S NANA-CHAN?

UNDER-ESTIMATE
PEOPLE TOO MUCH, EH?
YOU BETTER NOT
DIIINGG
DOONGG
HEY, WHAT WERE YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT BACK THERE?
MISSE
MISSE
I ALMOST PEED MY PANTS WHEN I BUMPED INTO HIM BY ACCIDENT ONCE!
HE'S KINDA SCARY THOUGH, DON'T YOU THINK?
NOTHING...
MISSE
MISSE
YOU KNOW, WITH "UDOU"?
I stuttered when I apologized to him!

This morning, Nana avoided me.

chirp
chirp
COME CHAT WITH ME PLEASE OR JSHOJO'S IC CHANNEL ★ JSHOJO
You found there — don't do such no pain
pi! pi!
Two more eps
You know JShoujo Scans has an online reader
Well, I don't think
Where are you reading this manga?
oh yeah that's right
Just go to
http://www.jshoujoscan.com/reader/
Was what I did
so wrong?

1-7
NOISE
NOISE
AREN'T YOU GOING AFTER HER?
HUH?
"NANA-SAMA"
I JUST SAW HER
MAKES IS NOT ACRE
NO WAY?!
H-H-HOLD ON A SEC!
I HAVE TO HAND THIS IN BEFORE LUNCH 6 UP..
NOOOO—! I DON'T HAVE ANY MORE LEAD!
HEY~ HEY~
MIND LENDING ME YOUR MECHANICAL PENCIL?
PATS
Uuhhh! My hands are shaking because I'm in such a rush
SWIP
AH?
What? You're still working on that? Talk about being a slowpoke!
pi! pi!



Right after we started junior high,

one day during class, my right hand suddenly went all numb and I couldn't hold a pencil

When I went to the nurse's room, Nana was there

and as it turned out, she messed up a jump over the vaulting box, and the pinky and ring finger of her right hand were all swelled up

She had broken them.

Jshoujo Scans

At least once every month.

a body part I never remember hurting begins to ache...

WE CAN'T DO STUFF LIKE THAT

.....

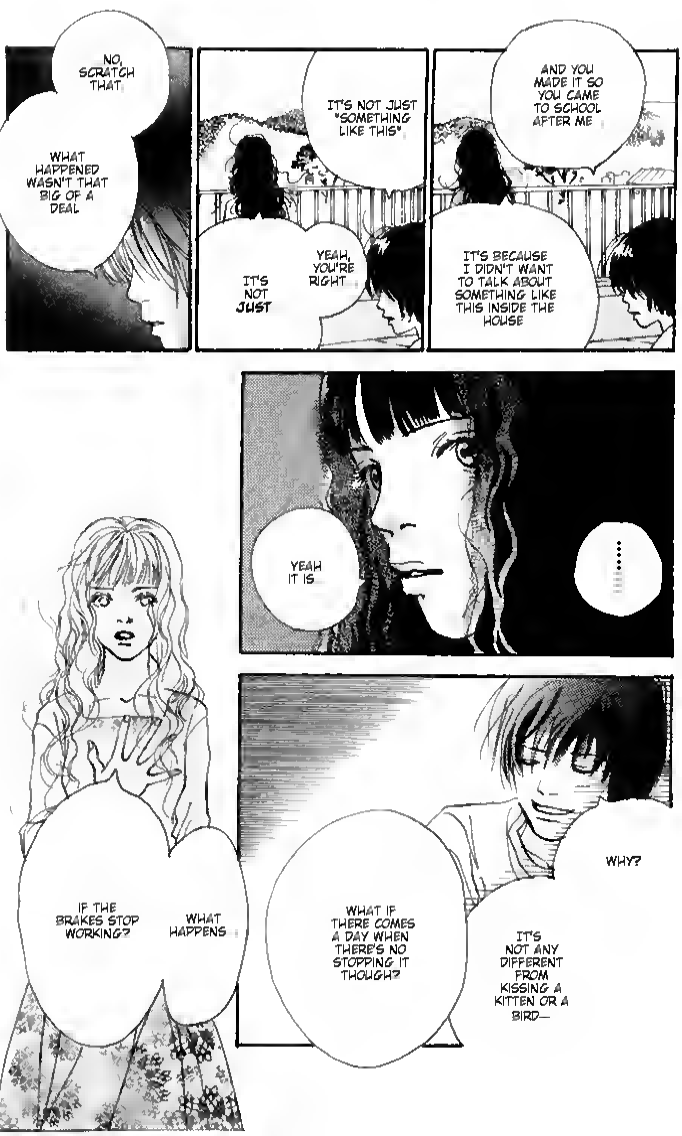
Misaki

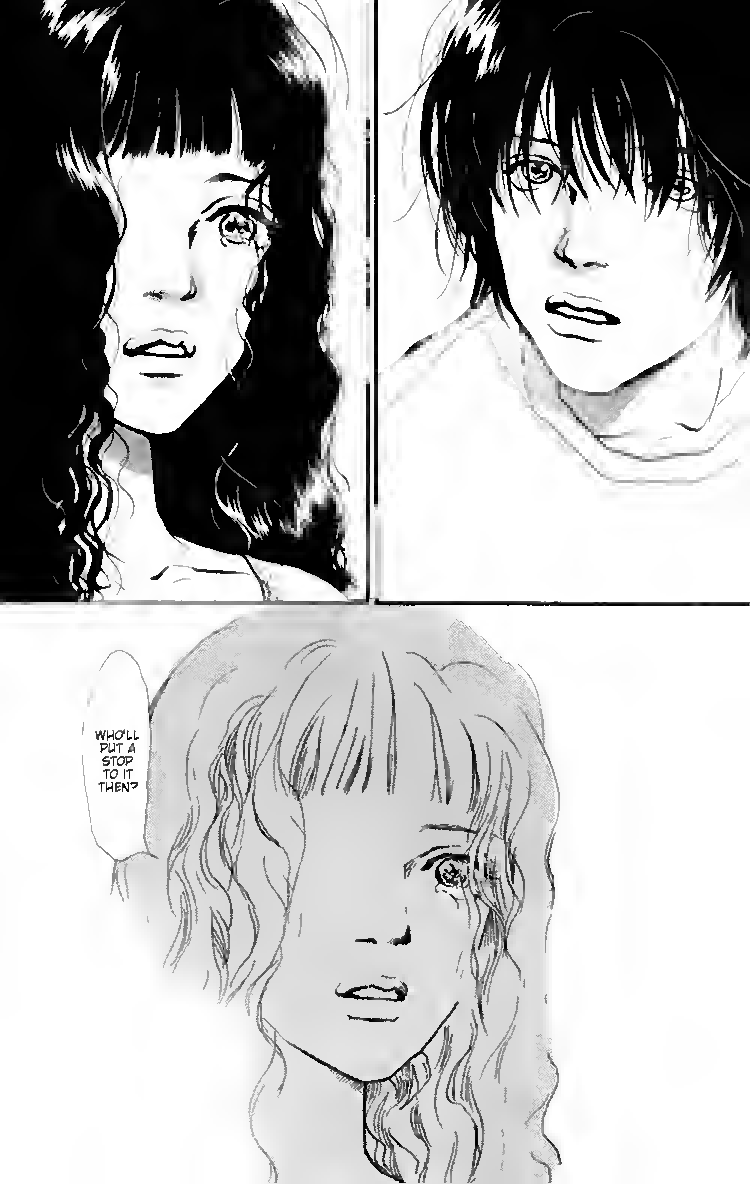
YOU...

PURPOSELY AVOIDED ME THIS MORNING, THOUGH...

WELL, YEAH...

YOU SEEM PRETTY CALM ABOUT IT


NO, SCRATCH THAT.
WHAT HAPPENED WASN'T THAT BIG OF A DEAL
IT'S NOT JUST "SOMETHING LIKE THIS"
IT'S NOT JUST
YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.
AND YOU MADE IT SO YOU CAME TO SCHOOL AFTER ME
IT'S BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THIS INSIDE THE HOUSE
YEAH IT IS.
.....
WHY?
IT'S NOT ANY DIFFERENT FROM KISSING A KITTEN OR A BIRD—
WHAT IF THERE COMES A DAY WHEN THERE'S NO STOPPING IT THOUGH?
IF THE BRAKES STOP WORKING?
WHAT HAPPENS


WHO'LL PUT A STOP TO IT THEN?

Clank
Clank
Clank
Giggle~
Click
WOW!
THIS FEELS GREAT!
HARDLY ANYONE EVER USES THE ROOFTOP
THIS IS AWESOME!
OH SHOOT! I FORGOT MY CHOP-STICKS!
RE~ TARD
WAHH! I'LL JUST USE THIS ONE THEN!
LET'S EAT!
OH, I'VE GOT A FEAST FOR YOU TODAY~
FOR REAL?
NO THAT'S OKAY!
I'LL FEED EM TO YA!
Open wide!
Kyu Kyu

WELL,
WE MIGHT AS WELL EAT, TOO
GREAT IDEA
chew
chew
munch
munch
THE SAUSAGES
AREN'T SHAPED LIKE OCTOPI TODAY
YOU'RE RIGHT

I can kind of understand the feelings of those who go astray in life

For the first time in my life,

IS IT SPORTS DAY AT SCHOOL TODAY? SHOULD I COME AND CHEER YOU ON?
MY, MASTER DUMMY! WHAT A SPORTY OUTFIT YOU GOT THERE
WELL SEE YA
HEYY! WHAT WAS THAT FOR?!
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO
IF I CAN'T WIN BECAUSE OF THIS, HUH?!
IT'S NOT MY PROBLEM EITHER WAY
DON'T BE RIDIC-ULOUS!
I'VE GOT A MARA-THON TO RUN TODAY, OLD HAG~
SMACK
無敵
MATCHLESS
~HUM~
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
He s actually not hurt at all

YOU TWO HAVE A TENDENCY TO GET ANEMIA, SO DON'T PUSH YOURSELVES TOO HARD!
WELL...
I DON'T THINK YOU TWO WOULD EITHER WAY, BUT JUST IN CASE...
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT THOUGH,
THEY DON'T LOOK GOOD IN THOSE KINDS OF OUTFITS AT ALL
GOOD LUCK!
I WONDER WHY
She's planning on walking the entire way
He's planning on sleeping some where
TAP

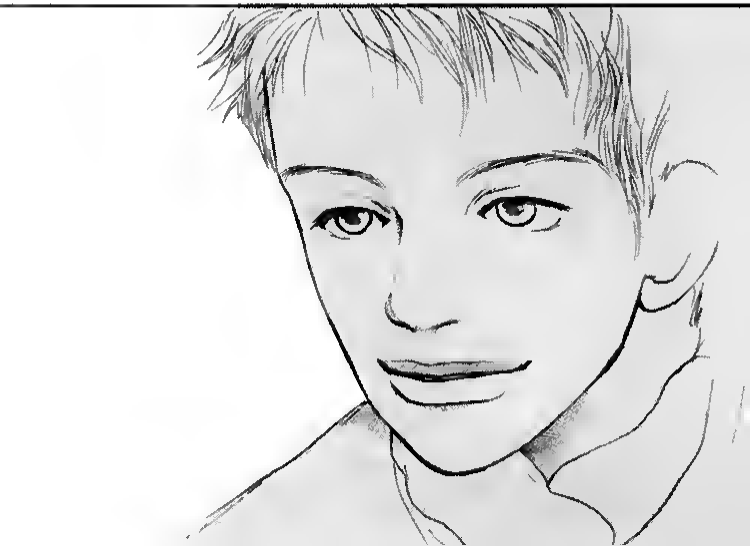
This March,
a man calling himself our "Dad" showed up.
He kept bragging about
how much he loved our real mom, so that's why I snapped back at him.
"-BECAUSE IT'S THE SAME FOR US"-
"THE ONLY PERSON WE NEED IS EACH OTHER".

"Dad" replied with this
"THAT'S PROBABLY A BIT WRONG
BUT THEN AGAIN,
MAYBE NOT."
ICHI,
DON'T HATE
THAT KABU GUY
I
clump clump
roll roll
Ishouso Scans

WELL~
I'LL BE WAITING FOR Y'ALL AT THE FINISH LINE
WHOSE
WHOSE
See ya
YO—
YOU'RE FREAKIN' US OUT HERE!
What are you the boss of beers?
DON'T FALL ASLEEP!
That orange-haired guy
gets on my nerves

WELL, HEY THERE ~
THAT OUTFIT DOESN'T LOOK THAT GREAT ON YOU, HUH?
hahaha
How rude of me to laugh in front of him!
NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE
IT'S EASY TO SPOT YOU, HUH?
Oh~
無敵
YEAH, PEOPLE TELL ME THAT ALL THE TIME
I knew it!
YOU SEEM HAPPY

THAT'S SURPRISING CONSIDERING YOU WERE THE ONE WHO MADE YOUR FRIEND UNABLE TO RUN ANYMORE.



BA-
DUMP
BA-
DUMP
BA-
DUMP
.....
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
INHALE

WHOOAAAA!
THUD
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP

.....
SPEAAKK
THUMP

PROBABLY A BIT WRONG
BUT THEN AGAIN,
MAYBE NOT"
"THAT'S

I'm not wrong.
But at the same time, I am.
No, scratch that. I'm NOT wrong.
Even then, I'm wrong...
MIKIH~

God
I want to meet a Nana that's not related to me

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Chapter 8

『FINAL（ファイナル）』

The area had become an evening hotspot and a patrolman was assigned after complaints from neighbors.

Suddenly I fell and at that moment, my eyes met Kabu's for an instant,

yet a nano-second later, he disappeared from my line of sight.

I didn't even have time to yell.

MIDORI CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
WE'LL NOW LIKE TO DECIDE ON WHO'LL BE PARTICIPATING IN WHAT SPORT DURING SPORTS DAY!
PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND IF YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER!
Mee!
Mee!
IF YOU'RE IN A SPORTS CLUB, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT SPORT!
BASKETBALL
SOCCER
BASKETBALL FOR ME

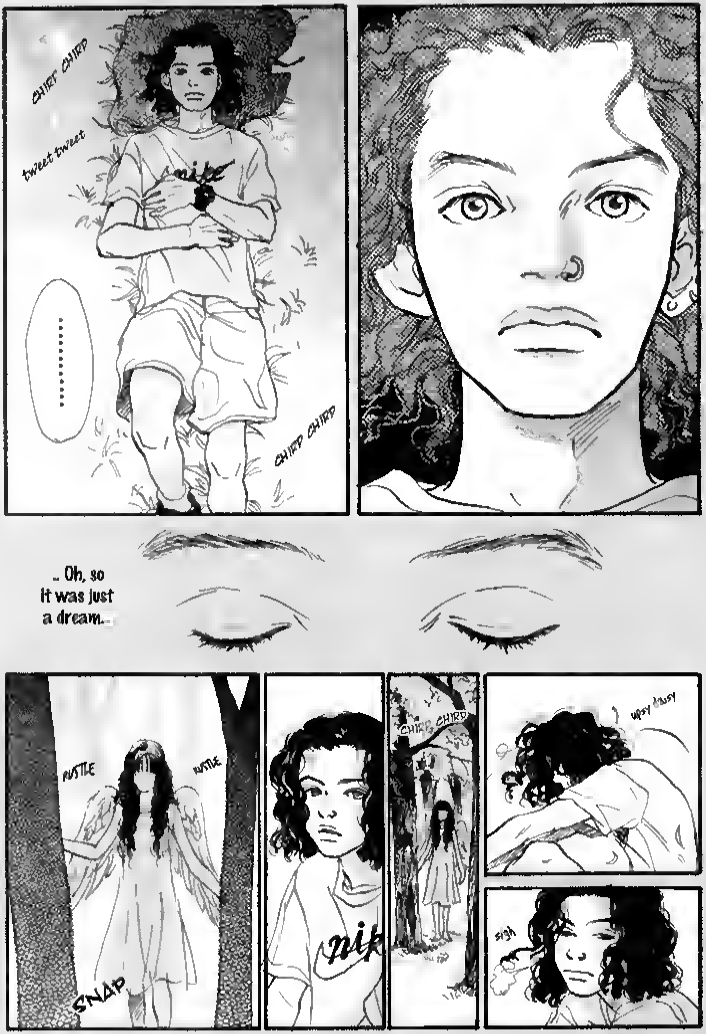
I'D LIKE TO BE IN — THE GIRL'S PING PONG MATCH!
ME!
Pick me!
AHAHA
LIKE I SAID
BASKETBALL FOR ME.
THOSE WHO ARE ON THE BASKETBALL TEAM CAN'T PARTICIPATE IN THE BASKETBALL GAME DURING SPORTS DAY!
BASKETBALL FOR ME
YOU'RE SUCH A RETARD, KAIBU!
MINNN
MINNN
HEY, MRS. UDOU.
Udou Pharmacy
FWUSH
Michael
NAWW JUST NEED TO GET IT ALL OUT OF MY SYSTEM, YOU KNOW?
WHY DON'T YOU GO DOWNSTAIRS AND GET SOME MEDS?
OWWW... MY STOMACH HURTS...
YOU
LITTLE BRAT$-!
THEN WHAT'RE YOU SUPPOSED TO DO WITH THE MILK, HUH?
DRINKING MILK JUST FOR THE SAKE OF IT WON'T DO YOU MUCH GOOD, YOU KNOW?
splash
flush
YA KNOW,

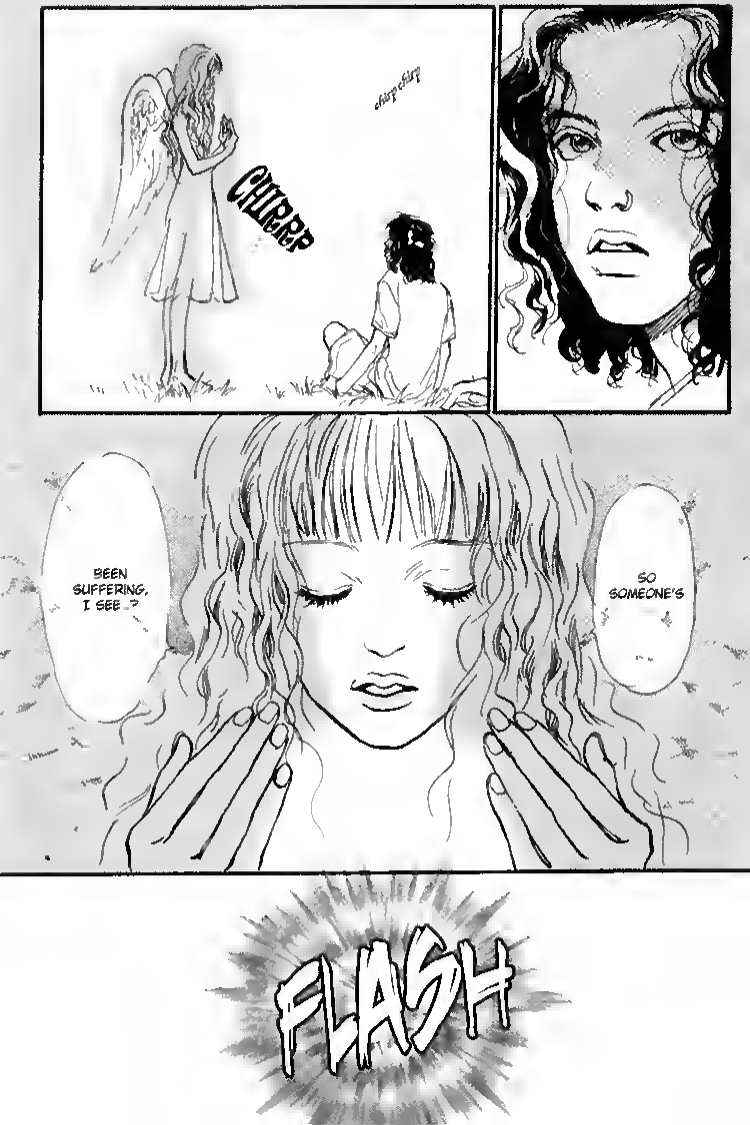
STOP...
GETTING HIM INVOLVED IN THESE ANTICS OF YOURS!
WAHAHAHA!
OH, SHIT!
GRABS
SNICKERS
AHAHAHA
BOUNCE
MY DAD SPENDS EVEN LESS TIME AT HOME. YA KNOW?
EVER SINCE MY FOLKS DIVORCED,
WELL, YA KNOW-
THAT'S WHY INE'S STARTED SAYING STUFF
LIKE "HE'S MY RESPONSIBILITY" AND SHIT--
FLASH

SAITOU HAS A CRUSH ON YA, CRANK! NO DOUBT 'BOUT IT!
YEAH, RIGHT
NO, REALLY!
BUT SHE'S FUGLY
WELL
YEAH, I GUESS YOU'VE GOT A POINT THERE!
SNICKERS
FLASH
HEY- THERE'S THAT HAUNTED PLACE!
WE SHOULD TRY GOING THERE SOMETIME!
I DON'T WANT TO.
WHY NOT?
I'M SCARED OF GHOSTS
WHY DON'T WE TAKE SOME CHICKS ALONG THEN?
LIKE YOU'D RUN INTO THEM THERE!
HA HA HA! HILARIOUS!
WHY DON'T YOU GO BY YOUR-SELF?
I DON'T WANNA...
FLASH
WHERE ARE YOU?
SNIVEL
CHICAGO BULLS
KABU —?
RATTLE
TALK ABOUT SCARY!
THERE AREN'T ANY STAIRS
WHIMPER
FLASH

IS SOMEONE THERE?!
CLATTER
FLASH
whistles
LET'S GO.
!

"FLY!"

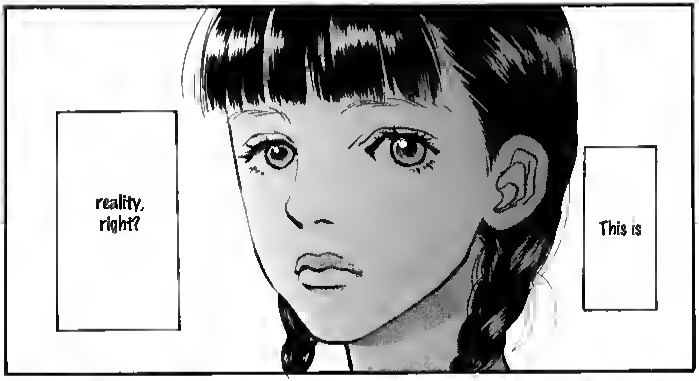

CHIRP CHIRP
tweet tweet
.....
CHIRP CHIRP
.. Oh, so it was just a dream..
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
SNAP
CHIRP CHIRP
sigh


CHIRRP
BEEN SUFFERING, I SEE...?
SO SOMEONE'S
FLASH

chirp chirp
tweet tweet
chirp chirp
mike
CHIRP CHIRP

chirp chirp
SWISH
mike
chirp...

chirp chirp
.. Am I awake?
.....
I'm awake this time, huh?
Yeah, there ya go

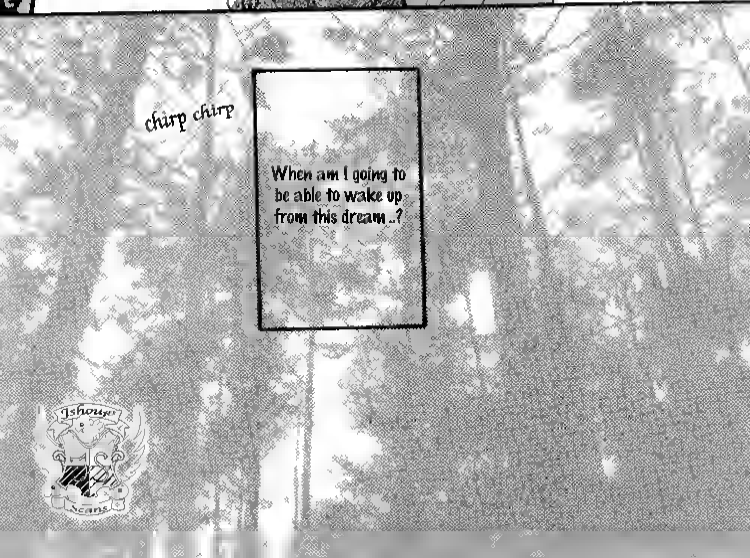

This is reality, right?

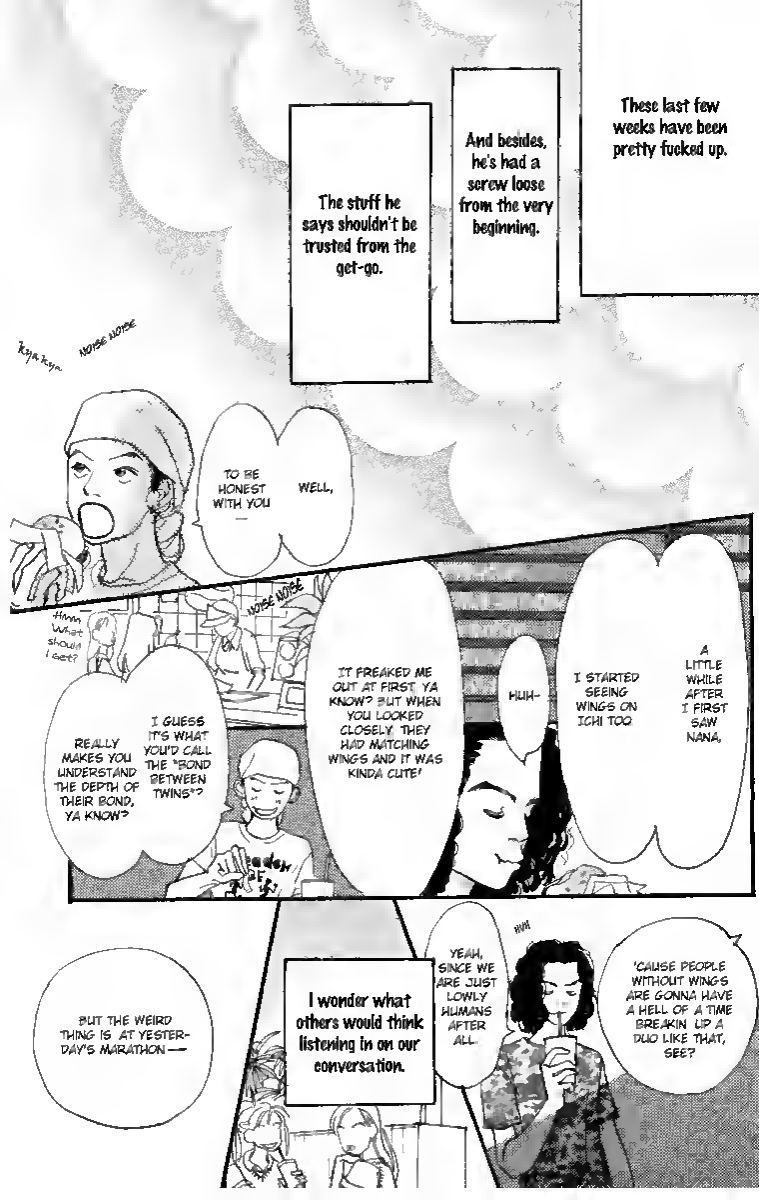
I'M HERE!
nike
nike

BUT THE HALF-WAY POINT'S STILL NOT
LET ME GUESS YOU GOT TIRED AND STARTED WALKING HALFWAY THROUGH?
HOLD OUT YOUR HAND
clomp clomp
HUH?
JUST HOLD OUT YOUR HAND, WILL YA?
I'M IN CHARGE OF STAMPING THOSE WHO'VE COME TO THE HALFWAY POINT
I guess that's my job
tap
YOU WERE MOANING IN YOUR SLEEP.
SHOULDN'T YOU BE OUT THERE THEN?
THERE ARE OTHERS BESIDES ME SO NO SWEAT
IS THAT RIGHT?
G'NIGHT!
rolls over
thud

SO...
chirp chirp chirp
chirp
YOU'RE NOT
CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON BETWEEN ME AND YOUR FRIEND
LIKE YOU WERE BEFORE?
EXCUSE ME?
WHAT'S SHE TRYING TO SWEET TALK ME FOR?
HEY
WHAT...

TWEET TWEET
chirp chirp
chirp chirp
.....
DO YOU THINK IT IS THAT I SHOULD DO?


chirp chirp
When am I going to be able to wake up from this dream..?


These last few weeks have been pretty fucked up.
And besides, he's had a screw loose from the very beginning.
The stuff he says shouldn't be trusted from the get-go.
Kya-kya-
NOISE NOISE
TO BE HONEST WITH YOU — WELL,
A LITTLE WHILE AFTER I FIRST SAW NANA,
I STARTED SEEING WINGS ON ICHI TOO
HUH-
IT FREAKED ME OUT AT FIRST, YA KNOW? BUT WHEN YOU LOOKED CLOSELY, THEY HAD MATCHING WINGS AND IT WAS KINDA CUTE!
NOISE NOISE
Hmm... What should I get?
I GUESS IT'S WHAT YOU'D CALL THE "BOND BETWEEN TWINS"?
REALLY MAKES YOU UNDERSTAND THE DEPTH OF THEIR BOND, YA KNOW?
'CAUSE PEOPLE WITHOUT WINGS ARE GONNA HAVE A HELL OF A TIME BREAKIN UP A DUO LIKE THAT, SEE?
HM
YEAH, SINCE WE ARE JUST LOWLY HUMANS AFTER ALL.
I wonder what others would think listening in on our conversation.
BUT THE WEIRD THING IS AT YESTERDAY'S MARATHON —

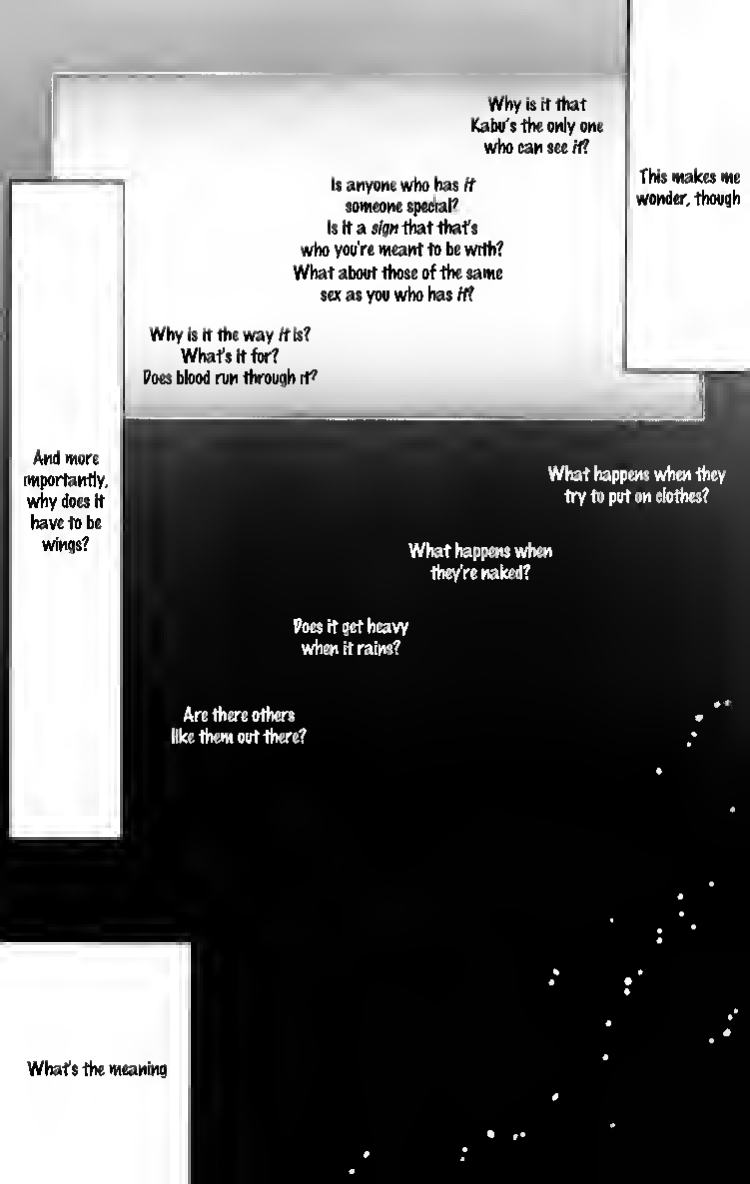
for dropping your voice down to a whisper
Thanks
MAYBE HE'S FALLEN BACK DOWN TO EARTH?
THEN MAYBE THAT MEANS IT'S YOUR BIG CHANCE?
I COULDN'T SEE ICHI'S WINGS...
FOR A SPLIT SECOND...
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
MADE FROM THE SAME FABRIC, YOU KNOW?
I GUESS THAT JUST MEANS THEY ARE ESSENTIALLY
NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
HE WENT BACK TO HAVING WINGS
BUT WHEN I SAW HIM LATER,
I SAW IT TOO——
NANA'S WINGS, I MEAN.
SPLASH
YEAH, YEAH?
HOW I WAS HAVING A NAP FOR PRETTY MUCH THE WHOLE DAY?
YEAH?
YOU KNOW——
SLURP

NOISE NOISE
Thank you very much
NOISE NOISE
H-
HEY...?
I MEANT, IN MY DREAM
YOU KNOW
IN MY DREAM SHE WAS STANDING NEAR THE EDGE OF MY FOOT
WITH HER WINGS FLAP-PING ABOUT
IT WAS IN MY DREAM THOUGH
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM?
W-W-WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
OH-
I SEE
IF SOMEONE ELSE SEEN 'EM—
...DOES THAT MEAN THERE'S NO SPECIAL MEANING FOR ME BEING ABLE TO SEE 'EM—?
I DON'T SEE 'EM
I THOUGHT THERE WAS A SPECIAL MEANING IN IT— BECAUSE I WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO COULD SEE THEM.
LIKE I SAID, I DON'T SEE 'EM!

NOISE NOISE
THEY WERE PRETTY, RIGHT?
JUST IN A DREAM,
BUT EVEN IF IT WAS
HUH?
I GUESS ...?
YEAH
WHEN I SEE 'EM,
WHENEVER I SEE 'EM...
I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL LIKE SHE'S REALLY SPECIAL, YOU KNOW?
IF YOU SEE SOMETHING LIKE THAT
IT'S A NO BRAINER
THAT YOU'D FALL FOR HER...
.....
WELL...
IF IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE I WOULDN'T WANT THAT...
BUT I'D BE OKAY WITH IT...IF IT WAS YOU, CRANK.
...WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I WONDER WHY
THEY'RE SO WHITE AND BEAUTIFUL...

NOISE
NOISE
NOISE
Are you really okay?

"This must be a sign that she's someone
who's very special to me, I just know it!"

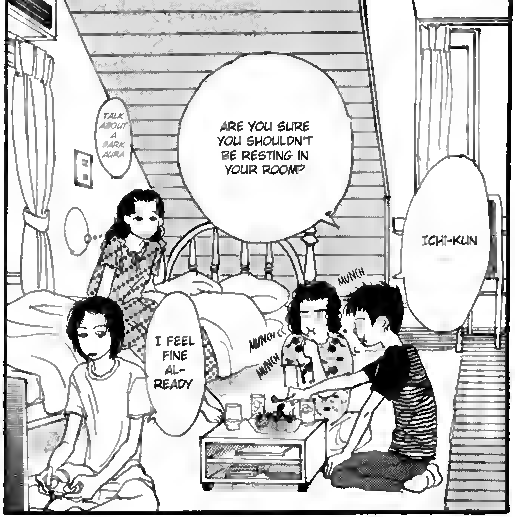

Why is it that Kabu's the only one who can see it?
This makes me wonder, though
Is anyone who has it someone special? Is it a sign that that's who you're meant to be with? What about those of the same sex as you who has it?
Why is it the way it is? What's it for? Does blood run through it?
And more importantly, why does it have to be wings?
What happens when they try to put on clothes?
What happens when they're naked?
Does it get heavy when it rains?
Are there others like them out there?
What's the meaning

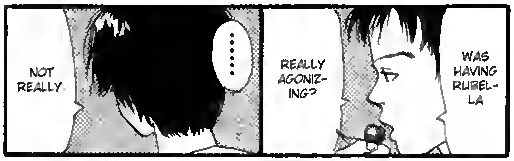
DOESN'T YOUR BODY FEEL A BIT HEAVY TODAY?
HEY...
in it?
I GUESS IT'S BECAUSE I SMOKED A CIG YESTERDAY
—HUH?
EVER SINCE I WOKE UP THIS MORNING
YEAH, IT IS!
OH, YOU NOTICED?
I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO BECOME A DELINQUENT, SO I THOUGHT I MIGHT AS WELL START WITH THE BASICS
WHO?
YEAH
CIGS?
ME

WANNA DYE YOUR HAIR?
I'LL JUST END UP TURNING INTO KARU SO NO
WANNA GO HANGING OUT AT NIGHT?
I'LL JUST GET SLEEPY, SO NO...
WANT TO DRINK ROKU-CHAN'S ALCOHOL?
I'M JUST GOING TO END UP THROWING UP, SO NO...
.....
I KNOW.
YOU KNOW
THAT I LOVE YOU THE MOST OUT OF ANYONE ELSE ON THIS EARTH RIGHT?
YEAH, I KNOW.

UM
WE CAME FOR A VISIT TO SEE HOW THEY'RE DOING
.....
WHAT A WONDERFUL SURPRISE!
MY, MY!
MY!

AND THE LEFT IS NANA'S
THE RIGHT DOOR IS ICHI'S
I'M SORRY I DIDN'T ASK— WHOSE FRIENDS ARE YOU?
(HUDDLE)
I guess when one twin goes down, the other's not far behind
PLEASE HAVE THIS —
PLUCK!
OH MY, ARE THESE CHERRIES?
PLEASE COME ON IN!
BUDS UP! GO TO HELL, PUCKER!
THIS IS BRADLEY MAY! I TOLD YOU TO TAKE OFF THAT NOSE PIERCING BEFORE I'M A-- CAKE...
SMACK
SMACK
She finished just now! She PUNCHED!
LEFT
AL-RIGHTY THEN!
THERE'S NO POINT IN BARGING IN ON A SLEEPING DUDE
W-
WHO SHOULD WE GO SEE?
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
CLICK


ICHI-KUN
ARE YOU SURE YOU SHOULDN'T BE RESTING IN YOUR ROOM?
I FEEL FINE AL-READY
MUNCH
MUNCH
MUNCH
TALK ABOUT A DARK AURA


WAS HAVING RUBEL-LA
REALLY AGONIZ-ING?
NOT REALLY

WELL, THAT'S GOOD
ON SECOND THOUGHT YEAH YEAH IT WAS

IT WAS REALLY AGONIZING,
BUT THEY SAY ONCE YOU GET IT
YOU NEVER HAVE TO GO THROUGH IT AGAIN

I TOLD HIM TO COME HERE BY HIMSELF.
Is [illegible] coming outside?
Yeah, she's [illegible]
BUT HE WAS FREAKIN' OUT 'BOUT THE THOUGHT OF COMING BY HIMSELF SO I JUST CAME ALONG WITH HIM, YOU KNOW?
SORRY FOR COMING WITHOUT ASKING
THAT'S OKAY
OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
flush
SLAM
WE'RE GOING TO LEAVE SOON ANYWAY
HUH?
YOU KNOW, THE "MARATHON"?
THANKS TO YOU, I WAS ABLE TO GO HOME EARLY
THANKS FOR THE OTHER DAY
OH, RIGHT—
I WAS A BIT DOWN THAT DAY—
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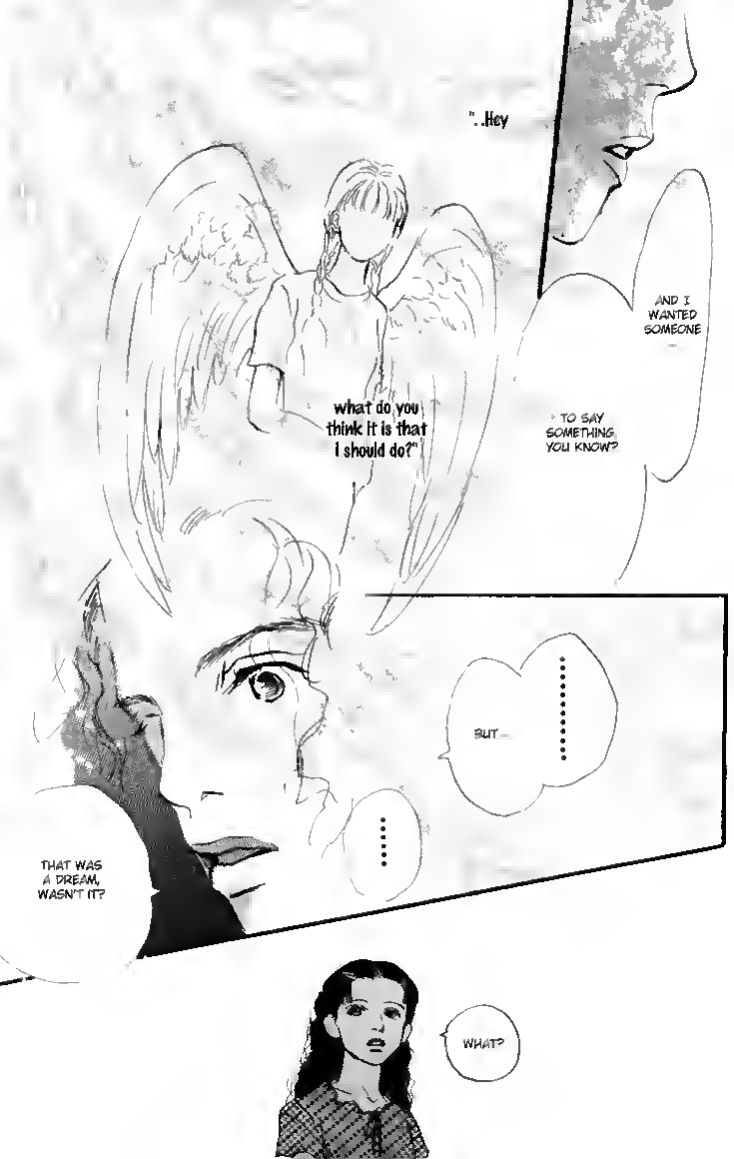

"..Hey
what do you think it is that I should do?"
AND I WANTED SOMEONE
TO SAY SOMETHING, YOU KNOW?
BUT...
.....
.....
THAT WAS A DREAM, WASN'T IT?
WHAT?

He's still

C'MON KABU LET'S GO AL-IE!DY~
LET'S GO UP! C'MON!
WHY YY~
MIII NN~MIIINN
SHE'S PROBABLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU, YOU KNOW~
WILL YOU JUST SHUT UP?
THAT HOUSE'S
ONLY BIG FOR THE SAKE OF BEING BIG
THERE'S ONLY THAT OLD HAG AT HOME ANYWAY

Hey, that's Kabu.

In elementary school.

That's right.
Oh...
WELL YOU KNOW...
I'M THE ONE THAT'S GONNA GET IT FROM INE FOR THIS
SHE'S GONNA GO ON RANTING ABOUT HOW I'M TRYING TO "DRAG YOU ONTO THE PATH OF DELINQUENCY" OR WHATEVER...
SNICKERS
The area had become an evening hotspot
so I'm dreaming again? When am I going to wake up anyway?
AH!
WHAT?
I FORGOT TO TAPE THE NBA GAME!
Noooo...
LAA MEEE—
IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT, YOU KNOW!
Damnit!
Ya Bastard

There were signs of other people having been there and it was run down and dirty.

The guy shined a light on us.

and Kabu who was trying to run away, bumped into me.

I had no interest in being in a place like that, but Kabu always wanted to stick his head in wherever.

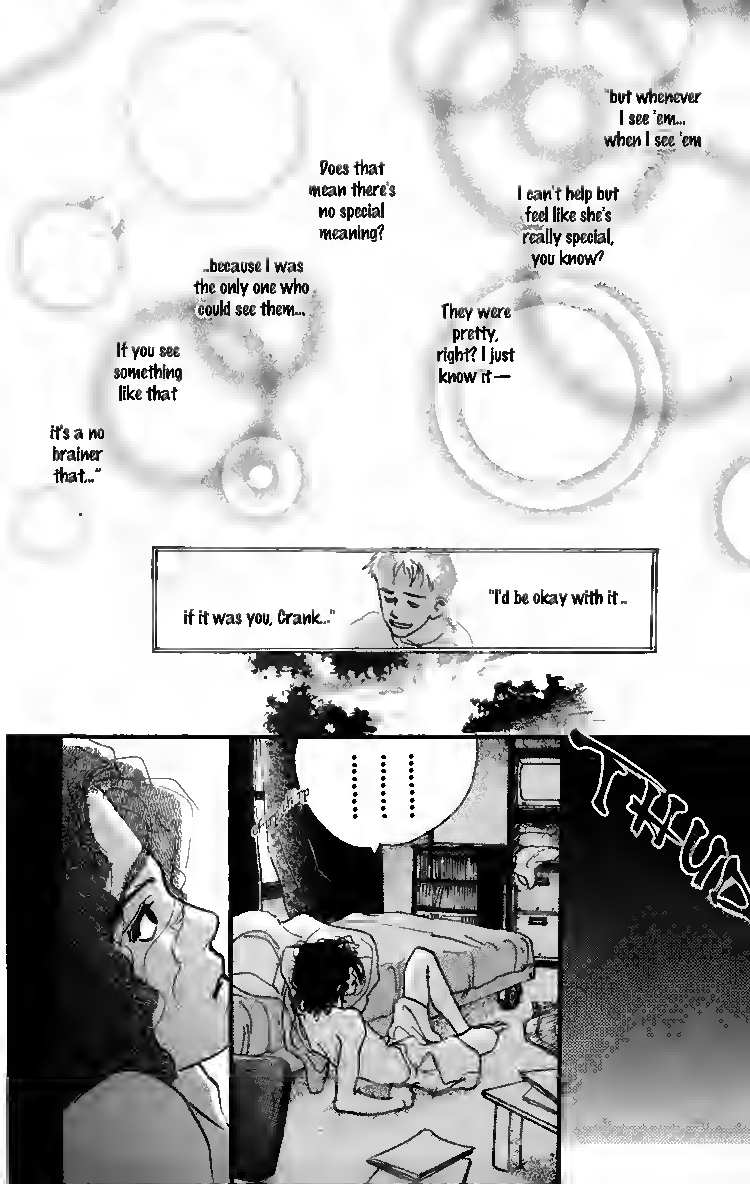
And there was only thin air on the other side of that

emergency exit—

Apparently, he wanted to do some bad stuff without getting caught.

"FLY!"

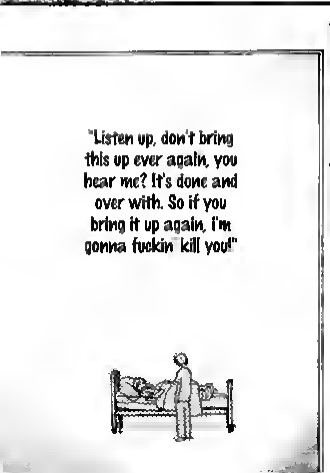
"I don't
know
why-"

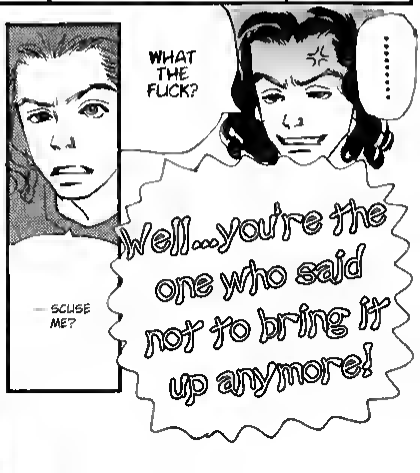

"but whenever I see 'em... when I see 'em
Does that mean there's no special meaning?
I can't help but feel like she's really special, you know?
..because I was the only one who could see them...
They were pretty, right? I just know it—
If you see something like that
it's a no brainer that..."
if it was you, Crank..."
"I'd be okay with it..
.....
THUD

That can't be.
That was just a dream
because no one said anything to me that time
I didn't even have time to yell.
I didn't hear Kabu's voice.
and the patrolman who'd scared us didn't understand what was going on.
KABU!
HAHAHA
YEAH!
KABU.

Kya Kya
Ahaha
Pitter patter pitter
All this time, did you think it was your fault that my leg became the way it did?
Yo
.....
.....
There's no way I wouldn't
Ishuzoku Scans

W-W-WHAT'S WITH YOU~ WHY'RE YOU BRINGING THAT UP NOW~?
THE TIME I FELL LIKE A DOOFUS, YOU MORON.
"THAT TIME"? WHAT TIME ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT~
THAT TIME—
ONE MORE THING!
AND I—
YOU WANT TO SEEK YOUR REVENGE ON ME—? IS THAT IT? GIVE ME A BREAK, WILL YOU—?
.....


"Listen up, don't bring this up ever again, you hear me? It's done and over with. So if you bring it up again, I'm gonna fuckin' kill you!"


—SCUSE ME?
WHAT THE FUCK?
.....
Well...you're the one who said not to bring it up anymore!

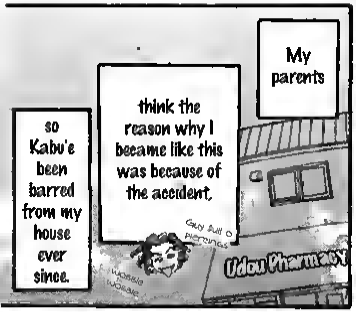
NOW, IF THERE WAS ANYTHING YOU TRIED TO SAY THAT TIME, PLEASE SAY IT NOW
OKAY THAT SEAL'S BEEN LIFTED
THAT IS WHY
I HAVEN'T SAID A WORD ABOUT IT
HE DOESN'T REMEMBER A WORD OF IT
T-
TO ANYONE
ANY-TIME
SPLONK
NO MAT-TER WHAT
ANY-WHERE
THAT I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO—
BUT IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST—
I-I TRIED TO SAY SOMETHING—
WHAT'D YOU TRY TO SAY?
"FLY"
……

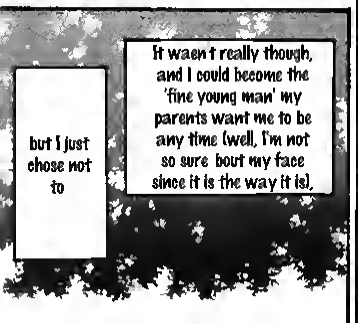
So I guess as it turns out, wings were made for flying

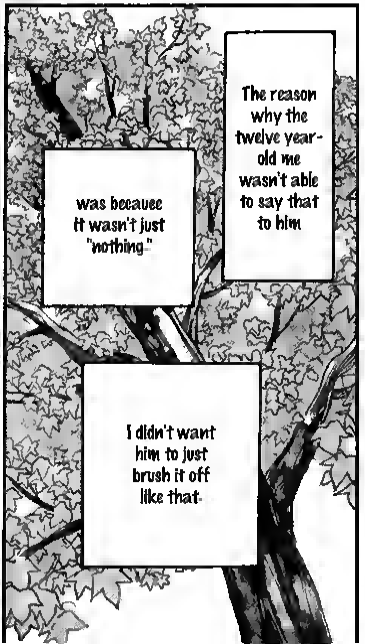
BU!
KA-
KABU...
.....
SLAP
You're staring at her again aren't you?
MESMERIZED
"I'M PERFECTLY FINE WITH NOT BEING ABLE TO BECOME A BASKET-BALL PLAYER."
O..
HOLD
OKAY.
I GOT IT
A!!
"THEN WHAT'RE YOU SUPPOSED TO DO WITH THE MILK, HUH?"

"Don't worry 'bout it. It's nothing"

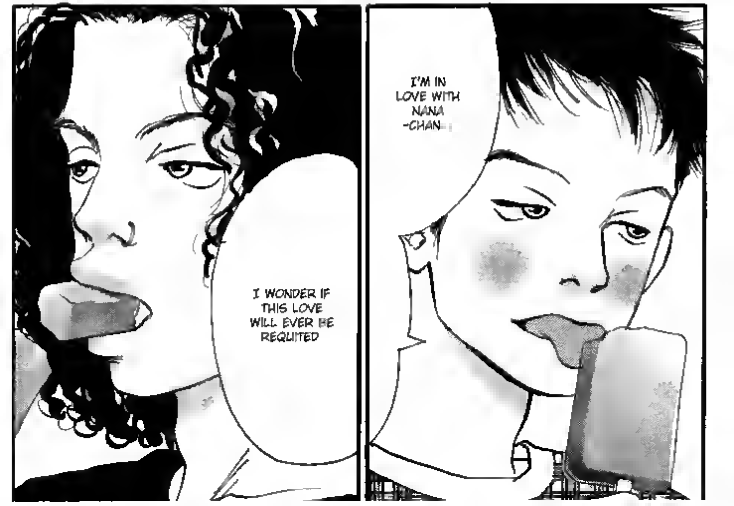
SNICKERS


My parents
think the reason why I became like this was because of the accident,
so Kabu'e been barred from my house ever since.
Udon Pharmacy


It waen't really though, and I could become the 'fine young man' my parents want me to be any time (well, I'm not so sure 'bout my face since it is the way it is),
but I just chose not to


The reason why the twelve year-old me wasn't able to say that to him
was becauee it wasn't just "nothing."
I didn't want him to just brush it off like that.

SO YOU SHOULD STOP GOING BAT-SHIT CRAZY EVERY TIME THEY DON'T HAVE THE SNACK THAT YOU WANT.
YOU KNOW YOU ARE IN HIGH SCHOOL...
hehe
HEY, YA KNOW—
WHAT?
I'VE THOUGHT IT OVER, BUT NO MATTER HOW I LOOK AT IT—
NICE, THEY HAD POPSICLES THOUGH! ♡
WHATTT
I chose not to.
WHY DON'T THEY
HAVE "SODA KONG" ?!?!
!!!?!?!?!


I WONDER IF THIS LOVE WILL EVER BE REQUITED
I'M IN LOVE WITH NANA -CHAN...

See ya!!
Byeeee~
See ya tomorrow
Geez.

RETARD.
MWFAFFF-
WAFAMWF
AMWFWHA
FUWAHAHA
I'm no psychic,
so I wouldn't know the answer to that.
NO, YOU'RE THE RETARD.
OH, I AM, HUH?
SNICKER
NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT

Kabu's
the kind of guy who cries listening to a Yano Akiko song,
and who talks to a frog he comes across while walking down the street.
Kaburagi
.....
Jabbe
Jabbe
Jabbe
MY
WHAT HAPPENED, MASTER DUMMY?
.....

"Someone's been suffering, I see."

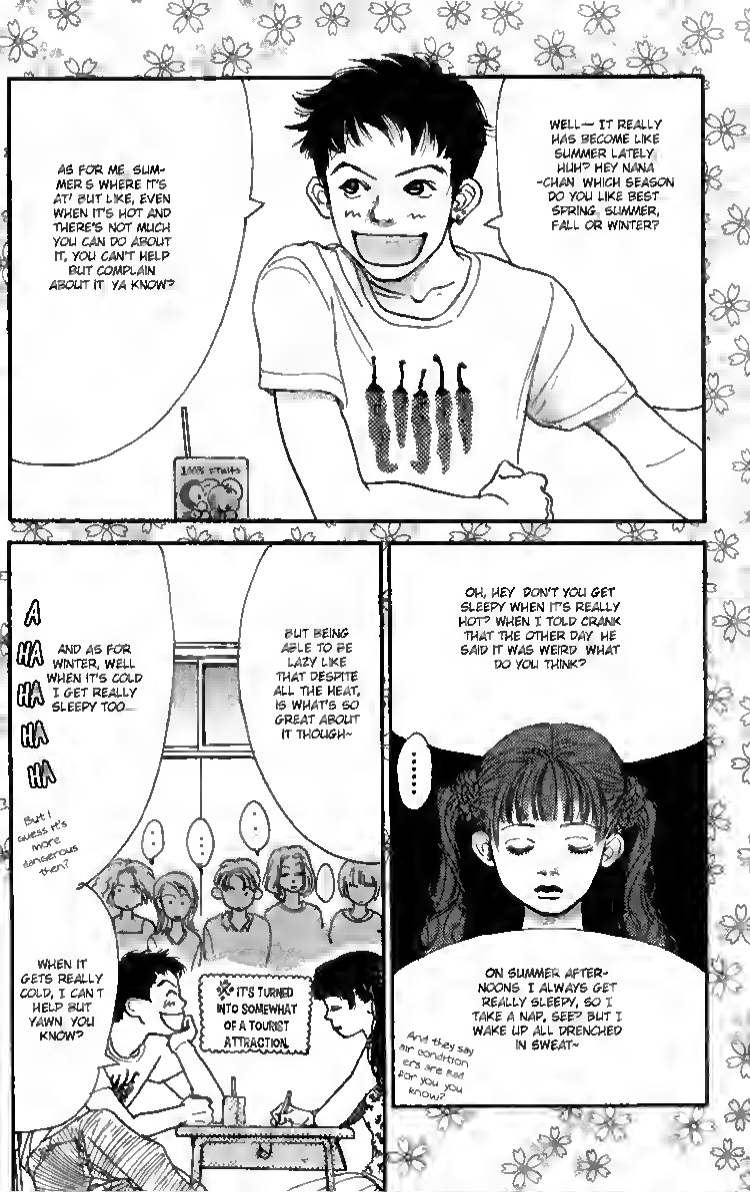
"... WAHHHHH

PAT PAT

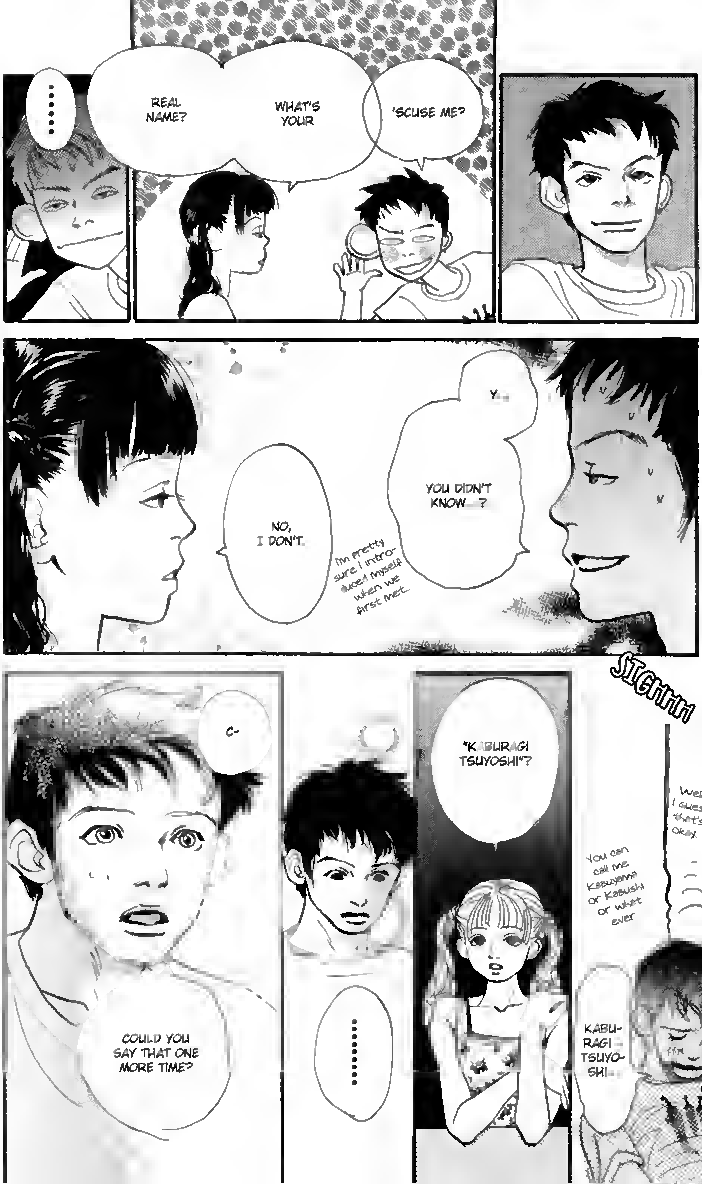
THERE THERE

YOU'RE AS DUMMY-RIFFIC

AS EVER, I SEE


AS FOR ME, SUMMER'S WHERE IT'S AT! BUT LIKE, EVEN WHEN IT'S HOT AND THERE'S NOT MUCH YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT, YOU CAN'T HELP BUT COMPLAIN ABOUT IT, YA KNOW?
WELL— IT REALLY HAS BECOME LIKE SUMMER LATELY, HUH? HEY NANA-CHAN, WHICH SEASON DO YOU LIKE BEST: SPRING, SUMMER, FALL OR WINTER?
AND AS FOR WINTER, WELL WHEN IT'S COLD I GET REALLY SLEEPY TOO...
BUT BEING ABLE TO BE LAZY LIKE THAT DESPITE ALL THE HEAT, IS WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT IT, THOUGH~
A HA HA HA HA
(But I guess it's more dangerous then?)
WHEN IT GETS REALLY COLD, I CAN'T HELP BUT YAWN, YOU KNOW?
IT'S TURNED INTO SOMEWHAT OF A TOURIST ATTRACTION.
OH, HEY, DON'T YOU GET SLEEPY WHEN IT'S REALLY HOT? WHEN I TOLD CRANK THAT THE OTHER DAY, HE SAID IT WAS WEIRD. WHAT DO YOU THINK?
.....
ON SUMMER AFTERNOONS I ALWAYS GET REALLY SLEEPY, SO I TAKE A NAP, SEE? BUT I WAKE UP ALL DRENCHED IN SWEAT~
And they say air condition-ers are bad for you, you know?

AH!
HEY, I KNOW THAT!
UGHHH~ WHAT WAS IT UMM. NORDO SCHWAR ZENEGGER
OR SOME-THING OR OTHER
.....
"NORMAN ROCKWELL"
YOU ONLY GOT THE "NO" PART RIGHT.
Plus the "r" part.
Hehe
.....
"SPRING."
.....
HUH?
I LIKE "SPRING" THE MOST
OH, WELL...
"SPRING" WAS THE FIRST TIME WE MET, AFTER ALL♡
.....
Ooh!!
They're actually having a conversa-tion here! Ooh!
OH, BY THE WAY. WHAT'S YOUR FULL NAME ANYWAY?


'SCUSE ME?
WHAT'S YOUR REAL NAME?
.....
Y...
YOU DIDN'T KNOW...?
I'm pretty sure I introduced myself when we first met.
NO, I DON'T.
STEALTH
"KABURAGI TSUYOSHI"?
C-
COULD YOU SAY THAT ONE MORE TIME?
.....
You can call me Kabuyama or Kabush or what ever
Well I guess that's okay
KABU-RAGI TSUYO-SHI...

There's no way a conclusion to that wing fiasco's been reached with that, though.

But ever since, I haven't been able to see her wings

and I'd be lying if I said there was still a part of me that didn't believe I actually saw it.

If it did something good for someone,
then I guess there was a reason why that happened.
PITTER PATTER PITTER PATTER
HEY?
W-
WHAT'S UP?
YOU'RE LEAVING?
WHAT'S WRONG?
THEY SAID
MY FATHER IS TAKEN A TURN FOR THE WORST

Nerve
SLAM
DO YOUR BEST...!
D-
THEM "DOING THEIR BEST" ISN'T GOING TO DO MUCH
ERR... NEWS FLASH KABU
DO YOUR BEST!

I wonder
if it

changes
depending
on whether

they're in
a happy

meant to
bring happiness

to someone?

THE END

YO,
WHAT'D YOU EAT LAST NIGHT?
SUNSETS ARE AMAZING, EH?